

# Nebraska State Government Organization — Executive Branch\*

## Executive Agencies<sup>1</sup> Not Subject to Governor's Direct Control (Noncode Agencies)

Abstracters Board of Examiners	Accountability & Disclosure Commission	Accountancy, Board of Public	Advocacy, Commission on Public	Arts Council	<b>A</b> ttorney General/ Justice Department	<b>A</b> uditor of Public Accounts	Barber Examiners, Board of	Blind & Visually Impaired, Commis- sion for	Brand Committee	★ Colleges, Board of Trustees of State
Corn Board	Dairy Industrial Development Board, Nebraska	Deaf & Hard of Hearing, Commission for	Dry Bean Commission	Education, Department of 2	<b>E</b> ducational Lands & Funds, Board of	Educational Telecommuni- cations Commission	Electrical Board/Divi- sion, State	Engineers & Architects, Board of	Equal Opportunity Commission	Ethanol Board
Fair Board, State	Foster Care Review Office	Game & Parks Commission	Geologists, Board of	Grain Sorghum Board	Historical Society, State	Indian Affairs, Commission on	Industrial Relations, Commission of	Investment Council	Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	Landscape Architects, Board of
Latino- Americans, Commission on	Library Commission	Liquor Control Commission	Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	Oil & Gas Conservation Commission	Parole Board	Post- secondary Education, Coordinating Commission for	Power Review Board	<b>P</b> ublic Service Commission	Racing Commission	Real Property Appraiser Board
	Real Estate Commission	Retirement Board, Public Employees	<b>S</b> ecretary of State	Tax Equalization & Review Commission	Tourism Commission	<b>T</b> reasurer, State	University of Nebraska, Board of Regents	Wheat Board		

\* Source: Governor's Policy Research Office (December 2017).

<sup>1</sup> Including elected officials' offices (**in bold**).

<sup>2</sup> Includes State Board of Education and Commissioner of Education (appointed by board).

★ Starred items are offices and agencies established in the Nebraska Constitution.

NONCODE AGENCIES

**Editor’s Note:** Noncode agencies are state government agencies not subject to the governor’s direct control. All are full-fledged agencies, meaning they have their own staff, are affiliated with no other agency and appear as a distinct item in the state budget. All statutory references in this section indicate where each agency was created in the Nebraska Constitution, Revised Statutes of Nebraska or both, unless otherwise noted. Appointees to boards, commissions, councils, committees and other state governmental bodies serve until they resign or are replaced after their terms expire.

Abstracters Board of Examiners

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**Director:** Mardy McCullough

**Statutory Reference:** 76-540

The Abstracters Board of Examiners reviews licensees’ practices under the Abstracters Act. The board regulates the registration and certification of individual abstracters and abstracting companies in the state. The board also supervises continuing education programs, investigates complaints and conducts hearings. The board’s mission is to ensure Nebraska real estate buyers, or those making payments to be secured by property, are fully informed of that property’s legal status.

The board has five governor-appointed members, and no member may be appointed to succeed himself or herself. Three members must be registered abstracters working in the business for at least five years, and one member must be a lawyer with a real estate law background. The fifth member represents the public. No more than two members may be from the same county. At least one member must be from a county having a first class city as its largest city, and at least one member must be from a county with a second class city as its largest city. No two board members can have the same employer. Members serve five-year terms.

The board meets at least twice each year. Members are reimbursed for expenses and paid \$50 per day when conducting board business.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Tim Gray, O’Neill .....	Abstracter, 2nd Class City .....	Nov. 18, 2020
Roy Hahn, Fremont.....	Attorney, 2nd Class City .....	Nov. 18, 2019
John S. Laffin, Lincoln.....	At Large.....	Nov. 18, 2018
Deborah L. Scott, Omaha .....	Abstracter.....	Nov. 18, 2016
Jason White, Broken Bow.....	Abstracter, 1st Class City.....	Nov. 18, 2017

## Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

**Office Address:** State Capitol, 11th Floor, P.O. Box 95086, Lincoln, NE 68509-5086, phone (402) 471-2522, fax (402) 471-6599, email address — [frank.daley@nebraska.gov](mailto:frank.daley@nebraska.gov), website — [www.nadc.nebraska.gov](http://www.nadc.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Frank Daley

**Statutory Reference:** 49-14,105

The 1976 Legislature created the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission through the enactment of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act. This act became effective July 1, 1977.

The commission is an independent state government administrative agency. Under the act, the commission administers and enforces state ethics laws, campaign finance laws and lobbying laws. The commission has the authority to issue advisory opinions, adopt rules and regulations, conduct investigations into possible violations of the act and assess civil penalties against anyone found to have violated the act.

The ethics provisions of the act require certain public officials and public employees on state and local levels to file annual statements that disclose their personal financial interests. Written disclosures of potential conflicts of interest must be filed by certain categories of public officials and public employees. The ethics provisions of the act also regulate the hiring or employment of immediate family members, prohibit the use of a public position for personal financial gain and prohibit the use of government resources, property, personnel or funds for nongovernmental purposes.

The lobbying provisions of the act require those attempting to influence the actions of the Legislature on behalf of another to register with the Clerk of the Legislature. The registration discloses the identity of the principal for which the lobbyist is lobbying. Lobbyists and principals file quarterly reports disclosing receipts and expenditures for lobbying purposes. Lobbyists must file statements after the legislative session disclosing the issues they lobbied for or against. The lobbying provisions of the act also restrict the gifts that lobbyists and principals may provide to officials and employees in the executive and legislative branches of government.

The commission consists of eight appointed members and the secretary of state. The governor appoints four members of the commission. Two are appointed from lists of not less than five names submitted by the Legislature and two are appointed from the citizenry at large. The secretary of state appoints four members. One is appointed from a list of no less than five names submitted by the chairperson of the state Democratic Party and one from a list of no less than five persons submitted by the chairperson of the state Republican Party. The secretary of state appoints two from the citizenry at large. The act establishes a geographical and political balance for the commission's appointed membership. No more than three of the appointed members may reside in the same congressional district. No more than four of the appointed members may be registered in the same political party and one must be a registered independent. Appointed members serve six-year terms.

The commission meets approximately eight times per year. Members receive reimbursement for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Sean Conway, Omaha (D) <sup>1</sup> .....	District 2, Legislative List, Governor's Appointee .....	June 30, 2018
Jeffery Davis, Beatrice (R).....	District 3, At Large, Governor's Appointee .....	June 30, 2021
Matthew Enenbach, Omaha (D) .....	District 2, Democratic List, Secretary of State's Appointee.....	June 30, 2021
Douglas Hegarty, Omaha (R) .....	District 2, At Large, Governor's Appointee .....	June 30, 2022
Andrew Loudon, Lincoln (R).....	District 1, Republican List, Secretary of State's Appointee.....	June 30, 2019
Jeffery Peetz, Lincoln (I).....	District 1, At Large, Secretary of State's Appointee.....	June 30, 2021
Timothy M. Schulz, Fremont (R) .....	District 1, At Large, Secretary of State's Appointee.....	June 30, 2017
James Ziebarth, Wilcox (D).....	District 3, Legislative List, Governor's Appointee .....	June 30, 2020
John A. Gale, Lincoln (R) .....	Secretary of State .....	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy

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**Executive Director:** Dan Sweetwood

**Statutory Reference:** 1-107

**Publications:** Roster; rules and regulations of Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy; annual letter

The 1957 Legislature abolished the Board of Examiners of Public Accountants, which had existed since 1909, and created the Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy. The board adopts and amends its operating rules within NAC Title 288 and regulations and administers the public accountancy act.

The board also promulgates and amends rules of professional conduct for public accountancy. The board uses the Uniform Certified Public Accountants' Examination to examine candidates and requires two years of experience to become a certified public accountant in Nebraska. Money and fees received by the board are deposited in a separate fund called the Public Accountants' Fund, which is appropriated by the Legislature to operate the board's office.

The board has eight members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. Members include two representatives of the public and six active certified public accountants, two each from the three congressional districts.

In 1991, the Legislature established an educational advisory committee (statutory reference: 1-113) for assisting the board to implement increased educational requirements for candidates taking the CPA examination after Jan. 1, 1998.

The board meets every other month. Members are paid \$100 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

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<sup>1</sup> Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; I=Independent.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Kenneth Brauer, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Sept. 20, 2019
Lori Druse, Lincoln .....	CPA, District 1 .....	Sept. 20, 2019
Bernie Gutschewski, Omaha .....	Public Member .....	Sept. 20, 2018
Marcy Luth, Grand Island .....	CPA, District 3 .....	Sept. 20, 2018
Michael McClure, Lincoln .....	CPA, District 1 .....	Sept. 20, 2020
Thomas Purcell, Omaha .....	CPA, District 2 .....	Sept. 20, 2017
Michele “Shelly” Stromp, Valley .....	CPA, District 2 .....	Sept. 20, 2020
Glen Waltemath, North Platte .....	CPA, District 3 .....	Sept. 20, 2017

## Commission on Public Advocacy

**Office Address:** The Apothecary, 140 N. 8th St., Suite 270, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-7774, fax (402) 471-8087, email — [jpickens@ncpa.ne.gov](mailto:jpickens@ncpa.ne.gov), website — [www.ncpa.ne.gov](http://www.ncpa.ne.gov)

**Chief Counsel:** Jeffery A. Pickens

**Statutory Reference:** 29-3919

The Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy was created in 1995 to provide property tax relief to counties that represent indigent defendants charged with first-degree murder and serious violent or drug-related felonies, including juvenile cases at trial and on direct appeal. The commission also provides legal assistance to public defenders and court-appointed attorneys. The system provides property tax relief because counties do not pay for legal services and associated costs. The commission is totally cash funded by court costs and filing fees.

LB729, which became law on Jan. 1, 1998, gave the commission additional duties. The bill created the Legal Aid and Services Fund. The commission uses the fund money to provide civil legal services to eligible low-income persons. The commission has established eligibility criteria and guidelines to assist in annually performing the following: confirming service areas and the priorities for providing the legal services for all service areas; accepting applications for certification from entities interested in providing free civil legal services to eligible low-income persons and certifying one or more service providers for each service area, with such certification entitling the service provider to a distribution of funds.

LB655, the DNA Testing Act, took effect Sept. 1, 2001. The act allows convicted inmates to request DNA testing of biological evidence that might produce exculpatory evidence. If the district court grants the request for DNA testing, the act requires the Commission on Public Advocacy to represent indigent prisoners and pay for the DNA testing from the commission’s operating cash budget.

In 2008, LB1014 created the Legal Education for Public Service Loan Repayment Fund to provide educational loan forgiveness to lawyers employed in the area of non-profit public legal service. The fund was to be financed by donations, but none were received. In 2014, LB907 revised the law to provide funding for the Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund. The purpose of the fund is to strengthen legal assistance for low-income Nebraskans by providing educational loan assistance to attorneys who are employed in nonprofit public legal service; who may have language skills other than English; and who are employed in

legal profession shortage areas in Nebraska. The program board and the commission have met several times to develop and oversee the application packet and to process and grant awards to qualifying recipients. Recipients continue to be monitored through quarterly and semi-annual reporting.

LB35, which became law in 2009, turned over operation of the Civil Legal Services Fund to the commission. Previously, the fund was administered by the State Court Administrator's office. The fund provides grants to civil legal services providers who receive funds from the federal Legal Services Corporation to provide free services to low-income individuals. The money in this fund also is derived from filing fees and court costs.

The commission consists of nine members appointed by the governor from a list of attorneys submitted by the executive council of the Nebraska State Bar Association after consultation with the board of directors of the Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association. A member is appointed from each of the six state Supreme Court districts, and three members are appointed at large. Members must belong to the Nebraska State Bar Association and have substantial experience in criminal defense work and civil legal matters that commonly affect low-income persons. Members serve six-year terms and may not be prosecutors, law enforcement officials or judges during their terms of office. The governor designates the chairperson of the commission. Members are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission appoints a chief counsel to manage the Legal Aid and Services Fund, Civil Legal Services Fund, Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund and the divisions of the commission. The divisions are the capital litigation division, which aids in the defense of Nebraska capital cases; the violent crime and drug defense division, which aids in the defense of such cases; the appellate division, which prosecutes appeals to the Nebraska Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court; the DNA testing division, which aids in representation of such cases and helps pay for DNA testing; and the major case resource center, which helps public defenders, contracting attorneys or court-appointed attorneys in felony representation.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Jackie Barfield, Omaha	At Large	Nov. 3, 2017
Julie E. Bear, Plattsmouth	District 5	Nov. 3, 2019
Jonathan M. Braaten, Lincoln	At Large	Nov. 3, 2019
Nancy S. Freburg, Kearney	District 6	Nov. 3, 2017
Robert P. Lindemeier, North Platte	At Large	Nov. 3, 2021
Michael D. Nelson, Omaha	District 2	Nov. 3, 2019
Coleen J. Nielsen, Lincoln	District 1	Nov. 3, 2017
Douglas J. Stratton, Norfolk	District 3	Nov. 3, 2021
Thomas P. Strigenz, Papillion	District 4	Nov. 3, 2021

Nebraska Arts Council

**Office Address:** 1004 Farnam St., Lower Level, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 595-2122, toll-free phone (800) 341-4067, website — [www.artsCouncil.nebraska.gov](http://www.artsCouncil.nebraska.gov)  
**Executive Director:** Suzanne T. Wise  
**Statutory Reference:** 82-309

The 1965 Legislature created the Nebraska Arts Council to improve the state's cultural resources. The original act was repealed in 1973 and replaced with new legislation creating a 15-member council, which is charged to "stimulate and encourage throughout the state the study and presentation of the performing and fine arts and public interest and participation therein."

Council members are appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, for three-year terms. Members must be Nebraskans and known for their professional competence and experience or long-standing interest in the arts. The council oversees agency policy and makes final decisions on grant awards as recommended by review panels. The council meets four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

The Nebraska Arts Council promotes the arts, cultivates resources and supports excellence in artistic endeavors for all Nebraskans by providing grants that support arts activities, developing leadership initiatives and offering publications and reference services available upon request.

The council's budget from legislative appropriation is supplemented by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. The council's budget is granted each year to support arts activities statewide, including basic support grants for local arts councils and arts organizations such as symphonies, art museums, community theaters and dance companies; arts education activities, including artists in the schools; grants for arts and cultural activities organized by schools, community groups and multicultural groups; and fee subsidies for Nebraska performing arts events and exhibitions.

Nebraska Arts Council grants require matching funds or services and are subject to outside review by panels of individuals selected for their expertise in the field. Panelists are selected to represent a balance of geographic, artistic and ethnic interests. Grant review panel deliberations are open to the public, and their recommendations are forwarded to the council for approval.

The NAC supports individual artists with a variety of services. Nebraska artists, writers, composers and choreographers may apply for competitive fellowships, and all Nebraska artists and performers are eligible to apply for inclusion in the artist directory, which schools and communities use to select artists for residencies and performing opportunities. Additionally, the Arts Council has a multicultural initiative and special programs to highlight Nebraska's traditional artists.

The council is responsible for the Governor's Arts Awards, the Governor's Mansion exhibition program and administering the One Percent for Art program for the state. The council collaborates with Mid-America Arts Alliance and other state and federal agencies in a number of activities.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Stephen Bader, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2019
Patrick Drickey, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2018
Timothy D. Hart, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Candy Henning, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2019
Jon Hinrichs, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Darrel J. Huenergardt, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Julie Jacobson, North Platte .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Kathryn LeBaron, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2018

Melissa Marvin, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2019
Sherry McClymont, Holdrege.....	Sept. 2, 2018
Paula Pflueger, Norfolk.....	Sept. 2, 2019
Pam Price, Grand Island.....	Sept. 2, 2017
Sue M. Roush, York.....	Sept. 2, 2017
Harvey Varenhorst, Nebraska City.....	Sept. 2, 2018
Reven Wright, Kearney .....	Sept. 2, 2019

Board of Barber Examiners

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**Director:** Ken Allen

**Statutory Reference:** 71-221

**Publications:** Laws, rules and regulations governing barbers, barber shops and schools of barbering; sanitation rules; newsletter

The 1927 Legislature created the Board of Barber Examiners as an agency of the Department of Public Welfare. In 1943, the Legislature transferred the board to the Department of Health’s jurisdiction. The 1963 Legislature established the board as an independent agency to administer state barbering laws. The board:

- issues licenses
- administers licensing exams
- inspects barber shops and schools for sanitation
- investigates complaints and conducts hearings
- negotiates reciprocal barbering licensing agreements
- sets rules and regulations for the administration of barbering laws

The board has three members, appointed by the governor, who serve three-year terms. The governor usually appoints one member from each Nebraska U.S. congressional district, although this is not required by state law. Members must be practicing barbers.

The board meets at least four times a year, and is supported entirely by fees assessed to licensees. Members are paid \$75 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for travel expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Arthur L. Lyle III, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Timothy K. Rehm, Holdrege .....	District 3 .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Dwayne G. Rice, Lincoln .....	District 1 .....	Nov. 30, 2017

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**Office Address:** 4600 Valley Road, Suite 100, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-2891, toll-free (877) 809-2419, website — www.ncbvi.nebraska.gov

**Executive Director:** Dr. Pearl Van Zandt

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535-8170; 214 N. Seventh St., Suite 11, Norfolk, NE 68701-4083, phone (402) 370-3436; 620 E. 25th St., Suite 1, Kearney, NE 68847-5511, phone (308) 865-5440; 505 A Broadway, Suite. 700, Scottsbluff, NE 69361-3515, phone (308) 632-1304

**Statutory Reference:** 71-8604

The 2000 Legislature passed LB352, which created the Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired. The board carries out the act, which provides for services to assist blind persons in gaining remunerative employment, enlarge economic opportunities for blind persons, increase the available occupational range and diversity for blind persons and stimulate other efforts to aid blind persons in becoming self-supportive.

The board has five members appointed by the governor. The board shall consist of members having reasonable knowledge or experience in issues related to blindness and shall be appointed for staggered terms. Subsequent appointments shall be for terms of four years with no board members appointed to more than two consecutive terms. At least three board members shall be blind persons. One member shall be a member or designee of the National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska; one member shall be a member or designee of the American Council of the Blind of Nebraska; and one member may be a member of another consumer organization of the blind. Board members shall receive a per diem of \$70 for each day spent in the performance of their official duties and shall be reimbursed expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Chad Bell, Alliance.....	Blind Consumer .....	Dec. 31, 2019
Mark Bulger, Omaha .....	American Council of the Blind of Nebraska Designee.....	Dec. 31, 2019
Mike Hansen, Lincoln .....	National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska Designee.....	Dec. 31, 2019
Robert L. Newman, Omaha.....	Blind Consumer.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Becky Rieken, Dakota City .....	Parent of Blind Consumer.....	Dec. 31, 2017

## Nebraska Brand Committee

**Office Address:** 411 Niobrara, P.O. Box I, Alliance, NE 69301-0775, phone (308) 763-2930, fax (308) 763-2934, email address — shawn.harvey@nebraska.gov, website — [www.nbc.nebraska.gov](http://www.nbc.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Shawn D. Harvey

**Statutory Reference:** 54-191

The 1941 Legislature created the Nebraska Brand Committee to protect Nebraska brand and livestock owners from livestock theft through a brand recording, brand inspection and livestock theft investigation staff.

The committee's hired director keeps a record of all proceedings, transactions, communications and official committee acts. He or she also keeps committee records and performs other duties as the committee requires. The executive director serves as the chief brand investigator, the chief brand inspector and the Brand Committee head. Currently, the executive director also serves as brand recorder.

The committee records all new brands, brand transfers and brand renewals and keeps a recorded brand book. About 34,000 brands are recorded in Nebraska.

The committee’s hired investigative staff reports thefts or missing livestock and identifies the owners of strays or cattle with an unknown owner.

An average of 45 full-time inspectors and 48 intermittent inspectors inspect all cattle moved from any point in a brand area to anywhere outside the area and all cattle that change ownership. Inspection fees pay for the agency’s operations. During the 2014-15 fiscal year, 3,434,835 head of cattle were inspected. A total of 16,821 head of cattle were held for proof of ownership during this period.

The Nebraska Brand Committee is composed of five members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least three members must be active cattlemen and at least one must be an active feeder in Nebraska’s brand inspection area. Members must own cattle within the brand area, be brand owners and have cattle raising or feeding as their principal occupation. The committee meets quarterly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

The secretary of state and the director of agriculture, or their designees, shall be nonvoting, ex officio members of the Brand Committee.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Jerry Kuenning, Imperial .....	Feeder.....	Aug. 28, 2016
Jeff Metz, Bayard .....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2017
Jerry Meyring, Alliance.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2018
John Widdowson, Kearney.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2019
Jaclyn Wilson, Lakeside.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2019

**Board of Trustees  
of the Nebraska State College System<sup>2</sup>**

**Office Address:** 1327 H St., Suite 200, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2505, fax (402) 471-2669, email address — ktande@nscs.edu, website — www.nscs.edu

**Chancellor:** Stan Carpenter

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 13; and 85-301

The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System has control of Nebraska’s state colleges at Chadron, Peru and Wayne. The mission of the Nebraska State College System (NSCS) is to serve students, communities and the state by providing high quality, accessible educational opportunities.

The state colleges aim to:

- provide a safe, stimulating, caring and enriching learning experience
- meet the changing needs of students and the state
- assure financial and geographic access to NSCS institutions
- offer a variety of academic programs
- maintain affordable tuition and fees
- foster cooperative ventures among NSCS institutions and other agencies and organizations
- emphasize participation in public service

<sup>2</sup>For more information on Nebraska’s three state colleges, see Pages 894-897.

- recruit and retain quality faculty and staff.

The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System is responsible for policy oversight of the NSCS. The board governs the system with guidance from the Nebraska Constitution and state statutes. Corporate bylaws, the NSCS Policy Manual and collective bargaining agreements with faculty, professional staff and support staff provide further guidance and structure for system operations.

The board was created by an 1867 law. Through a 1921 constitutional amendment, normal school government was vested in a seven-member board called the Board of Education of State Normal Schools. Normal schools were renamed state schools by the 1936 Legislature. The board's name was changed to its current name in 1969. Later that year, the Legislature made the board a public corporation so it could issue bonds to build dormitories and other student service buildings.

The board has seven members, six of whom are appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. The Nebraska commissioner of education serves as an ex officio member. The governor also annually appoints a nonvoting student board member from each of the state colleges.

The board meets as necessary, generally six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Gary Bieganski, Chadron.....	Chair .....	Jan. 1, 2017
John Chaney, Auburn .....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Coy Clark, Benkelman.....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2017
Robert Engles, Auburn .....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Henry Miller, Bloomfield.....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2017
Treyten Nelson, Lincoln.....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2017
Carter "Cap" Peterson, Wayne.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Michelle Suarez, Lincoln.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Jess Zeiss, Omaha .....	Vice Chair .....	Jan. 1, 2021
Matt Blomstedt, Central City .....	Commissioner of Education.....	Ex Officio

## Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 95107, Lincoln, NE 68509-5107, phone (402) 471-2676, website — [www.nebraskacorn.gov](http://www.nebraskacorn.gov)

**Executive Director:** Kelly Brunkhorst

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3604

**Publications:** Quarterly report; program educational materials

The Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board was created by the Corn Resources Act of 1978. The board administers a self-help program for corn producers that is paid for by a one-half of 1 cent per-bushel checkoff, paid by the corn producer and collected by the first buyer. The board uses this money for market development, research, promotion and education.

To provide an international and domestic market development program for corn producers, the board works with the U.S. Grains Council, the U.S. Meat Export Federa-

tion and the National Corn Growers Association. The board publishes a quarterly report and educational materials to tell producers how program money is being spent.

The University of Nebraska’s Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources conducts research projects on production, environment and development of new industrial uses for corn with the support of checkoff funds.

Eight board members are appointed by the governor, with one each coming from the state’s eight corn districts. The governor selects each appointee from candidates who have filed petitions with the board. Petitions must be signed by 50 growers from their district. Board members must be at least 21 years old and Nebraska citizens who have grown corn in the state for at least five years before their appointment. Members must derive considerable income from growing corn to be qualified. The board chooses an at-large ninth member. Members serve three-year terms.

Ex officio board members include the director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and the Nebraska Corn Growers Association president.

The Corn Board meets at least four times a year. Members receive \$25 a day when working on board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Deborah Borg, Allen .....	District 4 .....	June 21, 2019
David Bruntz, Friend.....	District 1 .....	June 21, 2019
Dennis Gengenbach, Smithfield.....	District 6 .....	June 21, 2018
John Greer, Edgar.....	District 2 .....	June 21, 2017
Jon Holzfaster, Paxton .....	District 8 .....	June 21, 2018
Brandon Hunnicutt, Giltner.....	District 3 .....	June 21, 2017
David A. Merrell, St. Edward.....	District 7 .....	June 21, 2018
Tim Scheer, St. Paul .....	District 5 .....	June 21, 2019
Alan Tiemann, Seward .....	At Large.....	June 21, 2017
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director of Agriculture .....	Ex Officio
Larry Mussack, Decatur.....	Nebraska Corn Growers .....	Ex Officio
Hector Santiago, Lincoln .....	UNL Agricultural Research Division .....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board

**Contact Person:** Rod Johnson, Administrator, 6409 Tanglewood Lane, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 853-2028, email address — [rjohnson@midwestdairy.com](mailto:rjohnson@midwestdairy.com)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3951

The Legislature created the Dairy Industry Development Board in 1992 as a contingency measure in the event Congress repeals federal legislation governing dairy promotion programs. The state board was granted authority to act when such a federal order went into effect.

Currently, 15 cents per hundredweight of milk is collected by “first purchasers” of commercial milk. Ten cents of that amount is remitted to the Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board, while the remainder is remitted to the National Dairy Board. The funds are used to promote the use of dairy products.

Board members must be residents of the state who are at least 21 years old and who have been actively engaged in the production of milk for at least five years. To qualify

for membership, a substantial portion of income must be derived from milk production.

Milk producers choose nominees among themselves for board membership. First purchasers of milk select candidates from the nominees whose names are forwarded to the governor. The governor selects one-half of the submitted candidates to serve three-year terms.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James Eschliman, Ericson .....	Nov. 1, 2017
Michael Henn, Norfolk .....	Nov. 1, 2018
Douglas Temme, Wayne .....	Nov. 1, 2016
Lowell Mueller, Hooper .....	Nov. 1, 2017
David Murman, Glenvil .....	Nov. 1, 2017
Kent Pulfer, Wayne .....	Nov. 1, 2016
William Thiele, Clearwater .....	Nov. 1, 2016
Mat Habrock, Lincoln .....	Ex Officio

## **Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

**Office Address:** 4600 Valley Road, Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-3593 (V/TTD), toll-free phone (800) 545-6244, website — [www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov](http://www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** John C. Wyvill

**Statutory Reference:** 71-4728

The Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing advocates public policies and programs to improve existing services for the deaf and hard of hearing and promotes the development of new services. The commission provides information on hearing loss and available services to the public.

The commission has nine members appointed by the governor to three-year terms with approval of the Legislature. Members include three deaf persons, three hard of hearing persons and three persons who have an interest in and knowledge of deafness and hearing loss issues. A majority of the members who are deaf and hard of hearing shall be able to express themselves through sign language. Members must be familiar with the problems the deaf and hard of hearing face in Nebraska.

The commission meets four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jeremy Fitzpatrick, Omaha .....	Hard of Hearing .....	Jan. 31, 2018
Gina Frerichs, Columbus .....	Hard of Hearing .....	Jan. 31, 2017
John Hogue, Falls City .....	Hard of Hearing .....	Jan. 31, 2018
Carol Lomicky, Kearney .....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2017
Margie Propp, Lincoln .....	Hearing .....	Jan. 31, 2019
Stacie Ray, Lincoln .....	Professional .....	Jan. 31, 2018
Peter Seiler, Omaha .....	Professional .....	Jan. 31, 2019
Frank Turk, Omaha .....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2017
Norman Weverka, Brainard .....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2018

## *Interpreter Review Board*

**Contact Person:** John Wyvill, Executive Director, Nebraska Commission

for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, 4600 Valley Road, Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-3593, email address — [john.wywill@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.wywill@nebraska.gov), website — [www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov](http://www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov)

The Interpreter Review Board administers the licensing and evaluation of sign language interpreters.

The board consists of eight members appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Members include the director of the state Department of Health and Human Services or a designee, the executive director of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing or a designee, two deaf or hard of hearing persons, two qualified interpreters and two members representing local government.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Pamela Duncan, Omaha .....	Interpreter .....	June 2017
Nancy Flearl, Lincoln .....	Local Government .....	June 2019
Heath Focken, Omaha .....	Deaf .....	June 2019
Bethany Koubsky, Omaha .....	Interpreter .....	June 2018
Jessica Nickels, Omaha .....	Local Government .....	June 2017
Jerry Siders, Omaha .....	Deaf .....	June 2018
Vonda Apking, Lincoln .....	Department of Health and Human Services .....	Nonexpiring
John Wywill, Lincoln .....	Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing .....	Nonexpiring

Dry Bean Commission

**Office Address:** 4502 Ave. I, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 632-1258, fax (308) 632-1371, email address — [driediblebeans@nebraska.gov](mailto:driediblebeans@nebraska.gov), website — [www.nebraskadrybean.com](http://www.nebraskadrybean.com)

**Executive Director:** Lynn Reuter

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3745

The Dry Bean Commission was established to encourage dry bean growers and processors to develop and work in research, education and promotion of dry bean and bean product programs. The commission also provides a way for Nebraska dry bean growers and processors to finance programs to achieve the purposes of the Dry Bean Resources Act.

The commission has 10 members. Six must be bean growers and three must be dry bean processors. The director of the Panhandle Research and Extension Center serves as an ex officio member.

Of the six grower members, four are appointed by the governor and represent the four dry bean districts. The other two are at-large members appointed by the commission, with one representing districts 1 and 2 and the other representing districts 3 and 4. Members serve three-year terms and cannot serve more than two terms. Grower member candidates must submit an application and a petition signed by at least 10 dry bean growers living in the candidate’s district. Each candidate must be a Nebraska resident who is at least 21 years old, has been a dry bean grower in the state for at least three years and makes much of his or her income from growing dry beans.

Dry bean processors are appointed by the governor in the same way as growers, serve the same length of terms and meet the same application requirements. Each

candidate must be a Nebraska resident and have been in business in Nebraska for at least three years.

The commission meets at least four times per year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position
Cindi Allen, Ogallala.....	Grower, District 4
Steve Benzel, Alliance.....	Grower, District 1
Brian Kaman, Scottsbluff.....	Processor
Kirk Laux, Bridgeport.....	Grower, District 3
Rodney Loose, Mitchell.....	Grower at Large, Districts 1 and 2
Courtney Schuler, Gering.....	Processor
Wesley Ullrich, Mitchell.....	Grower, District 2
Dave Weber, Alliance.....	Processor
Jack Whittier, Scottsbluff.....	Director, Panhandle Research and Extension Center
Vacant .....	Grower at Large, District 3 and 4

## State Board of Education/ State Board of Vocational Education

**Contact Person:** Matthew L. Blomstedt, Commissioner of Education, Nebraska State Department of Education, 301 Centennial Mall South, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94987, Lincoln, NE 68509-4987, phone (402) 471-5020

Statutory References: Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Sections 2 and 3; and 79-301, 79-321 and 79-740

The State Board of Education is an elected, constitutional body that sets policy and ensures that the State Department of Education functions effectively within the framework developed by the Legislature and the board. By law, the board and the department have broad leadership functions to carry out certain regulatory and service activities. The board also serves as the State Board of Vocational Education.

Statewide oversight of education in Nebraska began in February 1869 when the Legislature created the office of the state superintendent of public instruction. The office was included in the state constitution of 1875. In 1917, the Legislature decided to place the state superintendent on a nonpartisan basis. In 1920, the constitution was changed to have the superintendent serve a four-year term beginning in 1923.

A 1952 constitutional amendment established a State Department of Education, which acts under the authority of the State Board of Education. The role of state superintendent of public instruction was transferred to the Board of Education or the commissioner of education effective in January 1955.

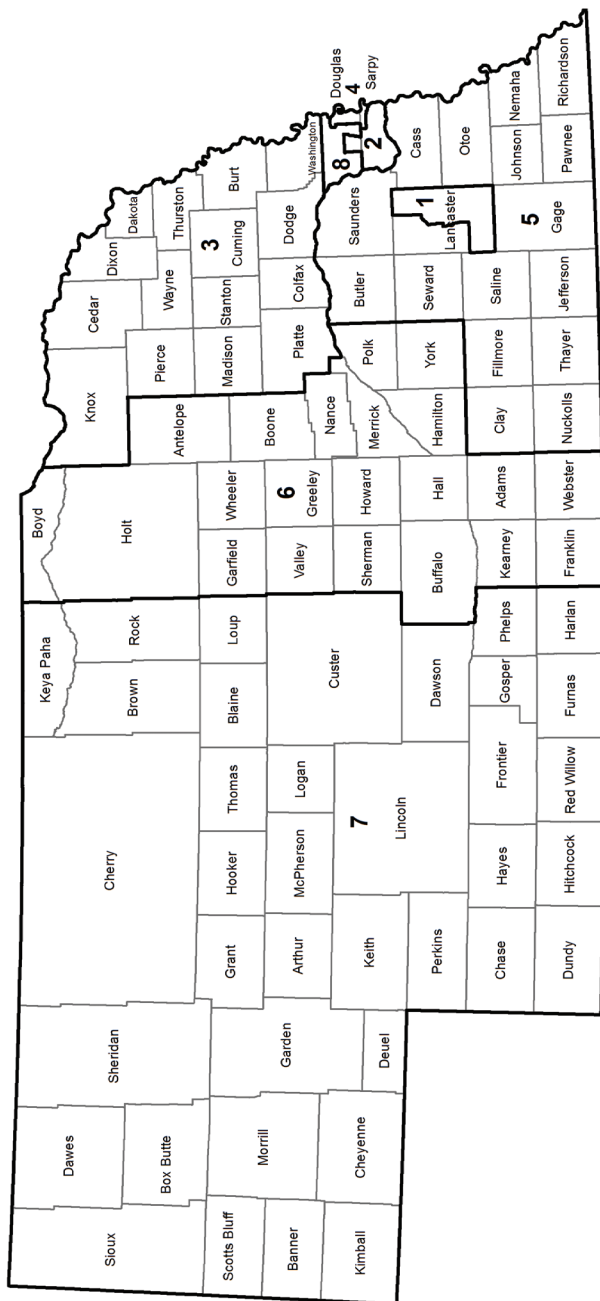
The 1967 Legislature divided the state into eight districts, and the membership of the State Board of Education was increased from six to eight members effective January 1969.

The board is elected on a nonpartisan ballot, with one member from each district. Board members serve four-year terms. Board members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Lisa Fricke, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	January 2021
Patricia (Patsy) A. Koch Johns, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	January 2021
Patrick J. McPherson, Omaha .....	District 8 .....	January 2019
Maureen Nickels, Chapman.....	District 6 .....	January 2019
Molly Higgins O'Holleran, North Platte.....	District 7 .....	January 2019
Patricia H. Timm, Beatrice .....	District 5 .....	January 2019
Rachel Wise, Oakland.....	District 3 .....	January 2021
John Witzel, Papillion .....	District 4 .....	January 2021



# State Board of Education Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB702 in the 2011 legislative session.

## State Board of Education, 2017

### PATRICIA (PATSY) A. KOCH JOHNS DISTRICT 1

**Home Address:** 441 Cottonwood Drive, Lincoln, NE 68510, email address — [patsy.kochjohns@nebraska.gov](mailto:patsy.kochjohns@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2016

**Biography:** Born Patricia A. Hargens, April 20, 1950, in Spalding. Graduate of Grand Island Central Catholic High School; Kearney State College (B.A. in education), 1972; University of Arkansas (M.A. in theatre), 1974. Married Dwight Johns, July 29, 2000; two children: Lori and Ben Koch. Retired teacher. Former speech and theatre teacher; Lincoln High School English Department chair. **Member:** Nebraska School Activities Association (district representative; delegate assembly representative); Educational Theater Association; Nebraska State Thespian Society (president; secretary); president, Nebraskans for the Arts (education chair); International Thespian Society; LEA; founding theatre chair, Nebraska Speech Communication and Theatre Association (executive secretary; president); Phi Delta Kappa; Delta Kappa Gamma; Alpha Psi Omega Theatre Honorary; board, Angels Theatre Company.

**Former member:** board, Nebraska Arts Alliance for Education (executive secretary); Central States Communication Association; NEA; CEA (building representative); Central Nebraska Forensic League (secretary); School Climate Committee, Lincoln High School; UNL Fine Arts Advisory Group; board, Arts Are Basic. **Honors and awards:** 2016 Jack James Lincoln High Outstanding Service Award; 2016 New Women in Film Award; 2014 Governor's Arts Award for Excellence in Arts Education; 2008 Time Warner Apple Award; 2007 Nebraska State Literacy Award; 2006 Nebraska State Teacher of the Year; 2005 Alltel Outstanding Educator; 2004 Outstanding Service Award, Nebraska School Activities Association; 2000 All-State Director, Nebraska State Thespians; 2000 and 1997 Outstanding Educator, Cozad Education Association. Democrat.



### LISA FRICKE

### DISTRICT 2

**Home Address:** 13584 Margo St., Omaha, NE 68138, email address — [lisa.fricke@nebraska.gov](mailto:lisa.fricke@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2016

**Biography:** Born Lisa Allen, Nov. 10, 1950, at Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Wash. Graduate of Bellevue High School, 1969; Wayne State College (B.A.E.), 1973. Married David L. Fricke, Feb. 12, 1972; three children: Jason A. Fricke, Erica Velasquez and Ryan David Fricke. Retired teacher. **Member:** Special Education Accountability Commission; Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church; volunteer, Red Cross, Salvation Army and TeamMates; Delta Kappa Gamma; Alpha Delta Kappa. Democrat.

## State Board of Education, 2017 (Cont'd.)



Omaha North.

### RACHEL WISE

### DISTRICT 3

**Home Address:** 1480 County Road J, Oakland, NE 68045, email address — [rachel.wise@nebraska.gov](mailto:rachel.wise@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2012; re-elected 2016

**Biography:** Born Nov. 8, 1955, in Castro Valley, Calif. Graduate of Ralston High School, 1974; University of Nebraska (B.S.), 1978; (M.Ed.), 1982; (Ed.S.), 1991; (Ph.D.), 1999. Married Gordon Nelson, Nov. 25, 2000. Retired educator. Former: teacher; administrator; nonprofit manager. **Member:** Nebraska Council of School Administrators; Nebraska State Education Association; Delta Kappa Gamma; Phi Delta Kappa; National Safety Council of Nebraska; Rotary; First Federated Church, Columbus; First Lutheran Church, Oakland. **Former member:** Nebraska Association for Career and Technical Education, 1978-2007 (president; secretary; treasurer). **Honors and awards:** Nebraska FFA Cornerstone Award; Nebraska Career Education Elaine Stuhr Leadership and Advocacy Award; Rotarian of the Year, Rotary Club of

### JOHN WITZEL

### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 905 Edgewood Boulevard, Papillion, NE 68046, phone (402) 597-1175, email address — [john.witzel@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.witzel@nebraska.gov)

**Appointed to State Board of Education:** March 28, 2014, to replace Rebecca A. Valdez, who resigned; elected to State Board of Education 2016

**Biography:** Born in Long Beach, Calif. Graduate of Longview High School, Longview, Texas, 1970; Louisiana Tech University (B.S.), 1974; Ball State University (M.A.), 1979; Bellevue University (B.S.), 1997; Bellevue University (B.T.S.), 1999; Spanish Language Institute (certificate), 1997. Military service: U.S. Air Force, 1974-1996, lieutenant colonel. Author and publisher, Wildcatter Publishing; part-time defense consultant. Former: career Air Force officer; accountant; defense contractor. **Member:** board president, Sarpy County YMCA; Sarpy County Chamber of Commerce; NAACP; Latino Center of the Midlands; Nebraska Writer's Guild, 2013 to present; Sarpy County Republican Party, 2002 to present (treasurer, 2006-10); Offutt Air Force Base Advisory Council, 2006 to present; Bellevue University Legacy Foundation, 1999 to present; Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1996 to present; American Legion, 1996 to present; Urban League of Nebraska; St. Paul's Methodist Church. **Former member:** school board member, Educational Service Unit #3, 2000-14; National School Board Association, 2000-14; Nebraska Association of School Boards, 2000-14. **Honors and awards:** Outstanding School Board Member (12 awards), Nebraska Association of School Boards; Midwest Book Review for "Saving Tres Rios"; YMCA Volunteer Award; U.S. STRATCOM commendation for life saving; awarded several military decorations to include the Meritorious Service Medal. Republican.



## State Board of Education, 2017 (Cont'd.)

### PATRICIA H. TIMM

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 1020 N. 21st St., Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 228-4054, email — pattimm@charter.net

**Appointed to State Board of Education:** March 10, 2004, to replace Stephen A. Scherr, who resigned; elected to State Board of Education, 2006; re-elected 2010 and 2014

**Biography:** Born April 1, 1947, in Callaway. Graduated from Kearney State College (B.A. in elementary education), 1969. Married Steven B. Timm, Aug. 10, 1969; one child: Shawn. Former: administrator, Beatrice Family Resource Center; kindergarten teacher; K-12 art teacher; education coordinator, Centenary United Methodist Church. **Member:** Southeast Nebraska Early Childhood Professional Development Planning Team; Order of the Eastern Star; Personal Safety Awareness Committee; Gage County Kids and Car Seats; policy review committee, Beatrice Community Hospital and Health Center. **Former member:** Region V Behavioral Health Advisory Committee (chairwoman); board of trustees, Centenary United Methodist Church; Habitat for Humanity, Gage County; Beatrice Children's Theatre Board; Community Players Board; Paul Harris Fellow, Beatrice Rotary Club; Beatrice Chamber of Commerce. Republican.



### MAUREEN NICKELS

### DISTRICT 6

**Home Address:** 1275 10th Road, Chapman, NE 68827, email address — maureen.nickels@nebraska.gov

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2014

**Biography:** Born Maureen Gaffney, Dec. 18, 1951, in Anselmo. Graduate of Anselmo-Merna Public Schools, 1970; University of Nebraska at Kearney (B.A. in education), 1974; (M.A. in education), 1978. One child: Chelsa. Former field director, Nebraska State Education Association, elementary teacher, Grand Island Public Schools. **Member:** University of Nebraska at Kearney Alumni Association (president, 2010; board of directors, 2008-10); Merrick County Democrats; Alpha Phi Sorority, Delta Xi Chapter; Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. **Former member:** Nebraska Democratic Party (second associate chair, 2008-12). **Honors and awards:** Wings Over the Platte, 2008; Cooper Award for Teaching Excellence, 1992; participant, World Environmental Day (New York City), 1992. Democrat.

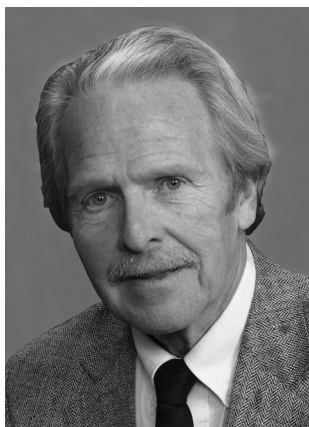
## State Board of Education, 2017 (Cont'd.)

### MOLLY HIGGINS O'HOLLERAN DISTRICT 7

**Home Address:** 1001 S. Deerwood Drive, North Platte, NE 69101-6317, email address — molly.oholleran@nebraska.gov

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Biography:** Born Molly Susan Higgins, May 20, 1954, in Grand Island. Graduate of Grand Island High School, 1972; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (with high distinction), 1976. Married Timothy Patrick O'Holleran, July 10, 1976; five children: Colleen, Jack, Meghan, Brigid and Danny. Homemaker. Former teacher, Westbrook Junior High, 1976-77; Kapaun Mount Carmel, Wichita, Kan., 1977-81; Mid-Plains Community College, 1997-2002. **Member:** American Medical Association Alliance; Art Study League; Lincoln County Medical Alliance (president, 1987); Nebraska Medical Association Alliance (president, 2009-10); P.E.O. (president 1994-96); Holy Spirit Catholic Church (eucharistic minister); government affairs committee, National Association of State Boards of Education. **Former member:** Humanities Nebraska (treasurer, 2014-15); Creativity Unlimited Arts Council (director, 2007-10); Friends of the Library (vice president 2003-06); Nebraska Association of School Boards (legislative committee, 2008-10); Nebraska Council on Teacher Education; North Platte Public Schools Board of Education (president 2007; vice president, 2005-06; secretary, 2004); North Platte Public Schools Foundation (director, 2003-06); National School Board Association Conference (advisory panel, 2005); Relay for Life (advocacy chairman, 2005-09); state advisory committee, Willa Cather Pioneer Memorial and Educational Foundation. **Honors and awards:** 2014 Woman of Achievement in Government, *North Platte Telegraph*; 2011 Beta Sigma Phi First Lady of North Platte; runner-up, 2011 AMPAC Belle Chenault Award for Political Participation; 2010 Nebraska Association of School Boards Level 7 leader; 2008 Nebraska PTA Council Life Award; 2008 Honorary State Award for Outstanding Service to Youth, Nebraska PTA; 2008 Nebraska American Cancer Society CAN Recruiter of the Year; 2007 Woman of Achievement in Volunteerism, *North Platte Telegraph*; 2006 Keith and Jeanette Bottrell Memorial Award for Excellence in Grassroots Advocacy, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network. Republican.



### PATRICK J. MCPHERSON DISTRICT 8

**Home Address:** 4720 S. 102nd Cir., Omaha, NE 68127, email address — patrick.mcpherson@nebraska.gov

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2014

**Biography:** Born Feb. 8, 1946. Graduate of Omaha Central High School, 1964; Creighton University, 1968. Military service: U.S. Army Reserve, 1969-75. Retired. Former bank manager; city government manager; Douglas County election commissioner. **Member:** national board, Community Health Charities; board member and secretary, Community Health Charities, Nebraska; board, Nebraska Comprehensive Health Insurance Board (secretary). **Former member:** second congressional district chairman and vice chairman, secretary, executive committee member, Nebraska Republican Party; mid-America region board, American Diabetes Association (president); Nebraska area service board and heartland council board, American Diabetes Association (president); board, American Diabetes Great Plains Region; technology and communications committee, Metropolitan Entertainment and Convention

## State Board of Education, 2017 (Cont'd.)

### PATRICK J. MCPHERSON

### DISTRICT 8 (CONT'D.)

Center Authority; board, CHAD Nebraska; chairman, City of Omaha United Way Campaign; Omaha Zoning Board of Appeals (chairman, vice chairman); Downtown Omaha Kiwanis Club (committee chairman); Nebraska Bankers Association (chairman); board, American Red Cross Heartland Chapter; board, Project Family; president's club, Omaha Chamber of Commerce; chairman, Douglas County Republican Party; committee member, Explorer Scout Career Awareness Program; board, Douglas County Foster Child Review Committee; council of officials, Metropolitan Planning Agency; elected board member, Papio Natural Resources District; board, Greater Omaha Community Action (treasurer); board, Omaha Republican Monday Luncheon Club; Nebraska Republican Party Booster Club. **Honors and awards:** Second District Outstanding State Central Committee Member, Nebraska Republican Party, 2008; National Outstanding Service in Recruiting Award, Mid-America Region, American Diabetes Association, 1999; Outstanding County Chairman Award, Nebraska Republican Party, 1987; Outstanding Service Award, Nebraska Republican Party, 1987. Republican.

## State Board of Education Members, 1955-2017\*

Frank E. Landis.....	1955-1981 <sup>1</sup>	Thelma Lang.....	1987-1995
Morris E. Jacobs.....	1955-1959 <sup>3</sup>	Russell Worthman.....	1987-1995
Walter A. Steffen.....	1955 <sup>1</sup>	Caren Hamilton.....	1988-1995 <sup>12</sup>
Hamilton F. Mitten.....	1955-1967 <sup>2</sup>	Ally Milder.....	1993-1997
W. Ray Hill.....	1955-1967	Bobbie A. Nolte.....	1993-1997
A. J. Crabtree.....	1955-1965	Floyd E. Olson.....	1994-1995 <sup>14</sup>
Raymond M. Gilmore.....	1955-1965	Katherine Brauer Endacott.....	1995-1999
Frank C. Heinisch.....	1959-1964 <sup>4</sup>	Kathleen McCallister.....	1995-1999
Norman A. Otto.....	1964-1971 <sup>5</sup>	Terry L. Loschen.....	1995-1999 <sup>15</sup>
Robert G. Simmons Jr.....	1965-1971	Rick Savage.....	1997-2001
John A. Wagoner.....	1965-1971	Katherine F. Wilmot.....	1995-2003
Allen P. Burkhardt.....	1967-1973	Kathryn C. Piller.....	1999-2003
Lloyd V. Wright.....	1967-1973	Stephen A. Scherr.....	1999-2004 <sup>17</sup>
Deborah Shepherd.....	1969-1971	Beverly J. Peterson.....	1997-2005
John K. Loday.....	1969-1971	Rachel Bone.....	2001-2005
Gerald T. Whelan.....	1971-1974 <sup>1</sup>	Ann Mactier.....	1997-2007
Shirley A. Peterson.....	1971-1975	Kimberly J. Peterson.....	1997-2004 <sup>19</sup>
Marilyn Fowler.....	1971-1979	Frederic C. Meyer.....	1999-2011 <sup>16</sup>
Francis Y. Knappe.....	1971-1975	Joe Higgins.....	2003-2011
Patrick L. Cooney.....	1971-1973 <sup>6</sup>	Kandy Imes.....	2003-2011
R. Jerry Hargitt.....	1973-1977	Patricia H. Timm.....	2004 <sup>18</sup>
Walter L. Moller.....	1973-1977	Jim Scheer.....	2005-2013
Willard H. Waldo.....	1973-1977	Carole Woods Harris.....	2005-2009
Dorothy Weyer Creigh.....	1974-1981 <sup>7</sup>	Robert Evnen.....	2005 <sup>20</sup> -2013
Margaret Lockwood.....	1975-1983	Kerry Winterer.....	2007-2009 <sup>21</sup>
Harold O. Peterson.....	1975-1977	Rebecca A. Valdez.....	2009-2014 <sup>24</sup>
James H. Monahan.....	1977-1993	Mark Quandahl.....	2009 <sup>22</sup> -2014 <sup>23</sup>
Walter M. Thompson.....	1977-1997	Lynn R. Cronk.....	2011-2014 <sup>27</sup>
Don H. Lienemann.....	1977-1981	Molly Higgins O'Holleran.....	2011-
Bernard F. Costello.....	1977-1979 <sup>8</sup>	John Sieler.....	2011-2015
Arlene E. Hart.....	1979-1983	Lillian M. Larsen.....	2013-2017
William C. Ramsey.....	1979-1994 <sup>13</sup>	Rachel Wise.....	2013-
Helen Greene.....	1981-1993	Glen Flint.....	2014 <sup>25</sup> -2017
Cynthia Hardin Milligan.....	1981-1985 <sup>9</sup>	John Witzel.....	2014 <sup>26</sup> -
William W. Marshall III.....	1982-1988 <sup>10</sup>	Patrick J. McPherson.....	2015-
Fred A. Lockwood.....	1983-1984 <sup>1</sup>	Maureen Nickels.....	2015-
Daniel G. Urwiller.....	1983-1987	Patricia (Patsy) A. Koch Johns.....	2017-
Dennis L. Arfmann.....	1984-1987 <sup>11</sup>	Lisa Fricke.....	2017-
Max D. Larsen.....	1985-1997		

\* Office created by 1953 Legislature.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned.

<sup>2</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy. Elected in November 1956.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned Jan. 3, 1959.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy in 1959. Elected in 1962. Died Sept. 22, 1964.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed Dec. 23, 1964, to fill vacancy. Resigned February 1971.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed Feb. 18, 1971, to fill vacancy.

<sup>7</sup> Appointed Jan. 18, 1974, to fill vacancy. Elected in November 1974. Died in 1981.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed July 28, 1977, to fill vacancy.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Sept. 25, 1981, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Frank Landis.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Jan. 28, 1982, to fill vacancy created by death of Dorothy W. Creigh. Elected in November 1982. Resigned Feb. 17, 1988.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed April 11, 1984, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Fred Lockwood.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed July 19, 1988, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of William Marshall III.

<sup>13</sup> Resigned Jan. 8, 1994.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed Feb. 11, 1994, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of William C. Ramsey.

<sup>15</sup> Resigned March 15, 1999.



- <sup>16</sup> Appointed March 31, 1999, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Terry L. Loschen.  
<sup>17</sup> Resigned Jan. 9, 2004.  
<sup>18</sup> Appointed March 10, 2004, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Stephen A. Scherr.  
<sup>19</sup> Resigned June 30, 2005.  
<sup>20</sup> Appointed July 18, 2005, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Kimberly J. Peterson.  
<sup>21</sup> Appointed July 17, 2007, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Ann Mactier. Elected in 2008. Resigned Aug. 12, 2009.  
<sup>22</sup> Appointed Aug. 17, 2009, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Kerry Winterer.  
<sup>23</sup> Resigned Jan. 27, 2014.  
<sup>24</sup> Resigned Feb. 4, 2014.  
<sup>25</sup> Appointed March 18, 2014, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Mark Quandahl.  
<sup>26</sup> Appointed March 18, 2014, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Rebecca A. Valdez.  
<sup>27</sup> Left office July 2014, after moving out of the district.

## Nebraska Territorial Commissioner of Common Schools\*\*

William E. Harvey..... 1859-1861

\*\* Office abolished by legislative act of Jan. 11, 1861.

## Nebraska Superintendents of Public Instruction, 1869-1955\*\*\*

Samuel Dewitt Beals (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871 <sup>2</sup>	E. C. Bishop (R) .....	1909-1911
J. M. McKenzie (R) .....	1871-1877	James W. Crabtree (R) .....	1911 <sup>3</sup>
S. R. Thompson (R) .....	1877-1881	James E. Delzell (R) .....	1911-1915 <sup>4</sup>
W. W. W. Jones (R) .....	1881-1887	A. O. Thomas (R) .....	1915-1917
George B. Lane (R) .....	1887-1891	W. H. Clemmons (D) .....	1917-1920 <sup>5</sup>
A. K. Goudy (R) .....	1891-1895	John M. Matzen <sup>6</sup> .....	1920-1927 <sup>7</sup>
Henry R. Corbett (R) .....	1895-1897	Charles W. Taylor .....	1927-1943
William R. Jackson (F) .....	1897-1901	Wayne O. Reed .....	1943-1950 <sup>8</sup>
William K. Fowler (R) .....	1901-1905	Otto G. Ruff .....	1950-1951 <sup>9</sup>
Jasper L. McBrien (R) .....	1905-1909	Freeman B. Decker .....	1951-1955

\*\*\* Office created in 1869, abolished by constitutional amendment in 1952 and by statute in 1953.

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>2</sup> Appointed by Gov. David Butler, Feb. 16, 1869.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned. In office January to October 1911.

<sup>4</sup> In office October 1911 to January 1915.

<sup>5</sup> In office 1917 to January 1920.

<sup>6</sup> Superintendents of public instruction were elected on nonpartisan ballots starting in 1918.

<sup>7</sup> In office Jan. 15, 1920, to 1927.

<sup>8</sup> Resigned.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy until general election.



## State Department of Education<sup>3</sup>

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**Commissioner:** Matthew L. Blomstedt, email address — matt.blomstedt@nebraska.gov

### **Deputy Commissioners:**

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• Mark Schultz, Vocational Rehabilitation, email address — mark.schultz@nebraska.gov

• Brian L. Halstead, Chief of Staff, email address — brian.halstead@nebraska.gov

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 2; and 79-301

In 1952, Nebraska voters approved a constitutional amendment proposed by the Legislature to establish the State Department of Education to act under the authority of the State Board of Education. A new state educational structure that began in 1955 transferred the powers and duties held by the state superintendent of public instruction to the State Board of Education, the State Department of Education or the commissioner of education.

The department is organized into teams that interact to operate the agency and carry out the duties assigned by state and federal statutes and the policy directions of

### *Commissioner of Education*

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 4; and 79-301 and 79-304

The commissioner of education is appointed by the State Board of Education and, acting as the board's executive officer and secretary, the commissioner heads the department. With help from a deputy commissioner and a leadership council, the commissioner of education serves as the chief state school officer and directs the promotion and improvement of education in Nebraska public pre-kindergarten, elementary and secondary schools. The commissioner also is responsible for certain facets of postsecondary education and adult education.

Additionally, the commissioner's responsibilities include:

- internal administration of the department
- interpreting laws that involve schools; ruling in some cases of disputed law; ensuring compliance with school laws
- planning, with the board and staff, a public statement of education goals and developing programs to respond to those goals; training and developing staff in planning and evaluation skills; reporting progress toward goals to the public through evaluation
- providing schools and the public with school and education information and approving department publications
- preparing the agenda for State Board of Education meetings; keeping the board informed; providing the board facts to help it act on issues

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<sup>3</sup>For more information on education in Nebraska, see Pages 51, 825-827 and 882.

By law, the commissioner of education is an ex officio member of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges, the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission and the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts.

### *Commissioner's Office*

The commissioner's responsibilities with respect to qualifications of school personnel are exercised through the Certification Investigations Unit of the General Counsel's Office, which provides investigative and legal services to the commissioner on issues pertaining to the issuance, denial, suspension or revocation of Nebraska teaching and administrative certificates. Complaints filed with the commissioner alleging unprofessional conduct by Nebraska school certificate holders are investigated. The General Counsel's Office is responsible for prosecuting those cases the commissioner determines warrant disciplinary action before the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, the State Board of Education or its hearing officers.

### *Education System Leadership and Support*

The department carries out its duties on behalf of 303,242 students in 245 public school districts and 200 nonpublic school systems. The department also maintains the required records for students educated in settings exempt from state approval or accreditation because of sincerely held religious beliefs (Rule 13) or for reasons associated with parental decisions regarding their child's education (Rule 12). The staff of the department interact with school districts to help develop and refine local school improvement plans. The department provides technical assistance and offers extensive training opportunities. Many improvement efforts are conducted cooperatively with the 17 educational service units that assist schools on a regional basis. The department also collaborates with other state agencies, professional education associations and institutions of higher education to coordinate and improve services to schools. School improvement activities are conducted or facilitated by a number of the department's teams. For current statistics, see the Nebraska Department of Education website at [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov).

### **Statewide Assessment**

**Contact Person:** Valorie Foy, Director of Statewide Assessment, phone (402) 471-2495

The Statewide Assessment Office develops and supports state testing in Nebraska. The Quality Education Act, first enacted by the Legislature in 1998, was amended by legislation on several occasions. The state academic content standards were revised and new state tests were developed and administered online according to the following schedule: reading in grades 3-8 and 11 in 2010, and again in 2014; mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11 in 2011, and again in 2015; and science in grades 5, 8 and 11 in 2012, and again in 2017.

The assessment team, in conjunction with the special education team, also oversees the development and administration of alternative tests for students with the most severe cognitive disabilities. All testing procedures, protocols and security issues are handled

through the assessment office. Additionally, the assessment team is responsible for providing direction to school districts regarding the implementation and reporting of national assessment instruments and the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

In 2015, the State Board of Education established Accountability for a Quality Education System, Today and Tomorrow (AQuESTT) pursuant to legislation enacted in 2014. An annual *State of the Schools Report* has been produced and results made public since 2001. The *State of the Schools Report* transitioned to the Nebraska Education Profile for public reporting in 2016.

### Teaching and Learning

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The Teaching and Learning Team provides leadership, service and support to help all learners become contributing and fulfilled members of society by: providing leadership, content expertise and technical assistance related to teaching and learning; coordinating processes to develop and implement content-specific standards for grades K-12; designing, developing and facilitating learning experiences for students and educators; establishing and fostering strategic partnerships among state agencies, nonprofit organizations, postsecondary education institutions and/or business and industry partners; and collaborating with and advising other NDE teams, the Nebraska State Board of Education and the Nebraska Legislature on matters related to teaching and learning.

The Teaching and Learning Team is most noted for facilitating the process of developing state-approved content standards for grades K-12, fulfilling the requirement of Nebraska Revised Statute 79-760.01. As required by law, the standards adopted by the State Board of Education cover the subjects of reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies. The board develops a plan to review and update the standards every seven years.

In addition to the content standards required by law, the department has developed content standards for fine arts, physical education, health education and world languages, as well as course-based content standards for career and technical education. The content area standards provide a framework for ensuring quality instructional programs at the elementary, middle and secondary levels (as required by Rule 10). The Teaching and Learning Team also provides support and technical assistance to school districts related to implementation and assessment of state-approved content standards.

The Teaching and Learning Team staff consists of content area specialists, student learning specialists and program specialists providing support related to teaching and learning. Content area specialists represent content areas included in K-12 instructional programs. Those areas include: agriculture, food and natural resources; business, marketing and management; communication and information systems; English language arts education; entrepreneurship education; fine arts education; health education; health sciences; high ability learning; human sciences and education; mathematics education; physical education; school counseling; skilled and technical sciences; science education; social studies education; and world language education.

Student leadership specialists serve as state advisors for Nebraska Career and Technical Student Organizations. The intra-curricular organizations extend teaching and learning related to career and technical education through programs, partnerships and leadership experiences at the local, state and national levels. The organizations include:

- DECA
- FFA
- SkillsUSA
- Educators Rising
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)
- HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America)
- FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America)

### **School Improvement: Accreditation**

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To assure equity of opportunity for all K-12 learners, the Accreditation and School Improvement Team provides statewide leadership through the development, promulgation and administration of approval and accreditation standards for all public and private schools, interim programs and educational service units. Quality learning is encouraged and supported through the development and facilitation of school and agency improvement procedures that incorporate alignment of academic goals and standards with the use of data resources.

A systems approach, incorporating partnerships with the Nebraska educational service units, supports the coordination of continuous school improvement activities that include leverage of resources and research-based leadership and staff development for schools and agencies. To assure that equitable access and results are possible for all students, consultation is available to schools on topics that include multicultural education, positive behavior supports, school safety and security and English Learner and Poverty Plan promising practices.

Regulations adopted by the State Board of Education establish standards for staffing, programs of study, academic content standards and assessment, technology requirements, facilities, instructional supplies and school performance reports. Accreditation and School Improvement team members visit school systems to monitor implementation of regulations, coordinate activities that are part of the required school improvement and external visitation processes and facilitate regional accreditation of Nebraska schools through AdvanceED — one of six regional accrediting agencies recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. In addition, the team administers regulations for local teacher evaluation policies, provides a liaison to the Nebraska School Activities Association, coordinates accreditation of educational service units and serves in other advisory roles as needed.

A State Accreditation Committee (statutory reference: 79-703), composed of school, community, educational service units and higher education representatives, advises the commissioner of education on matters relating to the content and implementation of accreditation standards.

## School Improvement: Early Childhood

### *Office of Early Childhood*

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The Office of Early Childhood promotes, in collaboration with other child and family serving agencies and groups, the development of a voluntary statewide system of effective, coordinated school and community-based early childhood and family education. The office monitors school and ESU-operated early childhood education programs, provides and supports the professional development of teachers/caregivers in school and community-based programs, coordinates task forces that focus on the needs of young children and their families, and develops guidelines for quality childcare and preschool programs.

In collaboration with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, the office administers the Step Up to Quality; Quality Rating and Improvement System (statutory reference: 71-1964) for early childhood education and care programs across the state. The program's website is [www.education.ne.gov/StepUpToQuality/index.html](http://www.education.ne.gov/StepUpToQuality/index.html) and the toll-free phone number is (844) 807-5712.

The team also offers the services of the Early Childhood Training Center (statutory reference: 79-1102). The Early Childhood Training Center (ECTC) provides, coordinates and approves training for licensed child care providers and distributes materials for staff working in home, center and school-based programs in Nebraska. The ECTC provides leadership for the Early Learning Connection, the state's early childhood professional development system. These services are delivered through the seven regional grant funded professional development partnerships that are located throughout the state. The ETC also provides a toll-free information line, (800) 89-CHILD, and a website — <http://ectc.education.ne.gov> to assist early education and care professionals and families of children through age eight.

The Office of Early Childhood houses the Head Start State Collaboration project. Its purpose is to ensure that the needs of children in poverty and their families are represented in state level initiatives and discussions. The director and staff work to ensure collaboration among programs serving children in the federal Head Start and Early Head Start programs to reduce duplication and increase effectiveness of all systems.

## Federal Programs and Data Systems

### *Federal Programs*

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Title I, Part A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides grants to districts to provide supplemental instruction to educationally disadvantaged students. Title I promotes academic achievement primarily through projects focused on reading, mathematics and early childhood programs. Funding and assistance also is provided to students in residential agencies for neglected or delinquent children. Title I, Part D provides grants to state agencies to service neglected or delinquent children. Title I, Part C provides technical assistance for families and teachers and additional learning opportunities for migrant students. Through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education

Act, services are provided to homeless children and youth.

Title II focuses on providing effective teachers. Title III provides technical assistance for staff working with English learners and immigrant students. The 21st Century Community Learning Center grants provide expanded learning opportunities for students attending high poverty schools. A Consolidated Committee of Practitioners (Public Law 114-95) provides input and review of federal programs.

#### *Nutrition Services*

**Contact Person:** Sharon Davis, Director, phone (402) 471-3559, email address — sharon.l.davis@nebraska.gov

The Nutrition Services Team distributes funds and provides technical assistance to Nebraska schools and institutions participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture child nutrition programs. In a continuing effort to improve the health and education of Nebraskans through provision of nutritious meals and nutrition education, programs are administered for the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Child and Adult Care Food Program and the Summer Food Service Program.

#### *Data, Research and Evaluation*

**Contact Person:** Dean Folkers, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-4740

The Data, Research and Evaluation Team consists of several work groups.

The Help Desk supports the work of the department and school districts by assisting with data collection and submission and technical questions, as well as support for the multiple interfaces with Nebraska schools. Specific support expertise includes the Nebraska Student and Staff Record System, the Grants Management System and other department web portal applications.

The Research and Evaluation Team conducts research and evaluation projects that support a deeper understanding of data, best practices and improving teaching and learning in Nebraska schools. The research group also is heavily involved in assisting Nebraska schools with data submission and promoting the use of data and training for data literacy, analysis and use by ESUs, districts and schools.

The Staff Data work group integrates the collection, refinement and use of staff data to meet federal and state reporting requirements, ensures effective integration with programs (including teacher certification and school approval and accreditation) and publishes a variety of useful reports.

The Student Data work group ensures the collection, refinement and use of student data to meet federal and state reporting requirements. The work group also provides effective integration programs and takes the lead on the annual State of the Schools Report and the Data Reporting System.

P-20 Data Systems integrates data sources across the spectrum for longitudinal analysis and reports that inform both policy and practice. The group's efforts include the engagement of public postsecondary institutions in support of long-term student success.

### Office of Special Education

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School districts have an obligation to provide special education and related services to children with disabilities. To help districts meet this obligation, the department distributes state and federal funds, provides technical assistance for attainment of program standards, conducts program reviews, approves rates for contract service providers, provides financial support for the residential care of children who cannot be served educationally in their local communities and funds special education discretionary grants at various entities.

Programs, including early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities who are younger than age three, are provided for children with disabilities from the date of diagnosis to age 21. The rights of these children and their parents are protected through systems for mediation, complaints and due process. Broad participation in planning for statewide special education services is accomplished through the activities of the Special Education Advisory Council [20 U.S. Code 1413(a)(12)].

#### *Nebraska Statewide Educational Programs and Support Services for Children Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing*

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Nebraska made a commitment to enhance the educational programs that children who are deaf and hard of hearing receive through their local schools. The plan was approved by the State Board of Education on Dec. 10, 2004, and includes:

- acting as a networking system
- encouraging family involvement
- creating social and educational opportunities for students, including summer educational experiences
- promoting cooperative agreements among service providers and equity for all children
- increasing professional development opportunities
- providing interpreter training opportunities
- acting as a resource to families, students and schools
- providing access to deaf and hard of hearing role models
- providing information about technological equipment and specialized materials

Additionally, through a contract with the Iowa School for the Deaf, services are available for Nebraska children who need a residential program.

#### *Nebraska Center for the Education of Children Who are Blind or Visually Impaired*

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The Nebraska Center for the Education of Children Who are Blind or Visually Impaired is administered through a contractual/lease arrangement with Educational Service Unit No. 4 in Auburn. The center provides residential, educational and out-

reach services to children with visual impairments from birth to age 21. Support also is provided through summer programs, staff training, student assessment and technical assistance for parents, agencies and colleges.

### **Adult Program Services: Educator Preparation**

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This section manages regulations related to preparation of certified educators and approval of educator preparation programs. This includes providing leadership and technical assistance to educator preparation programs that are approved by the State Board of Education. Recommendations to the board are made with input from the Nebraska Council on Teacher Education, an advisory body composed of teachers, teacher education program representatives, administrators and representatives of other educational organizations. Additional responsibilities include management of the annual Teacher Vacancy Survey, the Teach in Nebraska website, the Master Teacher Program and the Excellence in Teaching Act forgivable loan program.

### **Adult Program Services: Effective Educator**

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This section focuses on development and retention of effective educators. In particular, the program utilizes the *Nebraska Teacher and Principal Frameworks* and the *Nebraska Model Teacher/Principal Evaluation* processes that were developed by Nebraska education stakeholders. The section also works to coordinate educator effectiveness initiatives with Educational Service Units, other department programs, educator preparation programs and Nebraska school system personnel.

### **Adult Program Services: Teacher Certification**

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The certification process for Nebraska teachers and administrators is defined by state law and State Board of Education regulations. Certification applicants are required to complete an approved teacher or administrator preparation program, a basic skills test, content test, human relations class and special education training. First time applicants who have not lived in Nebraska continuously for the past five years must submit fingerprints. Other specific requirements as outlined in rule may be reviewed at [www.education.ne.gov/tcert](http://www.education.ne.gov/tcert). Teacher certification staff respond to questions at [ndc.tcertweb@nebraska.gov](mailto:ndc.tcertweb@nebraska.gov).

### **Adult Program Services: Adult Education**

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The Adult Education section provides instruction for adults 16 years of age and older who have withdrawn from school and/or function at or below the 12th grade level.



This includes individuals who wish to earn a General Educational Development (GED) credential, learn the English language, learn basic reading, writing and numeracy skills or prepare for employment and/or post-secondary education. The program is funded primarily with federal funds from Title II of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act. Eleven programs offer classes at approximately 150 class sites throughout the state.

The GED testing program is sponsored by the GED Testing Service of the American Council on Education, Pearson Vue and the Nebraska Department of Education. Nebraska's GED testing centers administer the national examination, which measures the skills and competencies of a high school graduate and is aligned with career and college readiness expectations. A state high school diploma is awarded to successful examinees.

### **Adult Program Services: Private Postsecondary Career Schools and Veterans Education**

**Contact Person:** Brad Dirksen, Director, phone (402) 471-4825

This section implements state statutes governing private postsecondary career schools and their recruitment of students, provides consumer protection and ensures that minimum quality standards are met. This work is assisted by the Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council (statutory reference: 85-1607), which makes recommendations to the State Board of Education concerning private postsecondary career schools. Veterans' education programs, in public and private secondary and postsecondary institutions and on-the-job training and apprenticeship programs at businesses, are approved and monitored in accordance with U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs requirements.

### **Nebraska VR (Vocational Rehabilitation)**

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Nebraska VR helps people with disabilities prepare for, obtain and maintain employment while helping businesses recruit, train and retain employees with disabilities. Through this "dual client" approach, the program assists individuals with injury, illness or impairment achieve competitive employment and increased independence. Business services focus on addressing employer staffing challenges and placing qualified workers who face challenges entering or re-entering the workforce.

Nebraska VR also has a long history of providing services to youth with disabilities as they transition to life after high school. Staff members partner with local schools and parents to provide job exploration, work-based learning, counseling for transition and post-secondary programs, workplace readiness training and self-determination training. Services are designed to ensure that students with disabilities are prepared to pursue employment after graduation.

The agency receives 20 percent of its funding from the state and 80 percent from the federal government. Service offices are located in Columbus, Fremont, Grand Island, Hastings, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha, Scottsbluff and

South Sioux City.

Affiliated programs within Nebraska VR, with separate funding and unique identities, include the Disability Determinations Section, Assistive Technology Partnership, Statewide Independent Living Council, State Rehabilitation Council and the Client Assistance Program.

#### *Disability Determinations Section*

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The Disability Determinations Section is the entity of state government that processes applications for federal disability benefits under the federal Social Security program and the supplemental security income program for Nebraska residents. These applications are taken at the Social Security field offices across the state and forwarded to the DDS office in Lincoln. Section staff obtain and evaluate medical and vocational evidence in order to make a decision on each applicant's medical eligibility for benefits.

#### *Assistive Technology Partnership*

The Assistive Technology Partnership links people with disabilities to technology to help them lead more independent and productive lives. The program integrates diverse assistive technology and home or worksite modification needs in the areas of education, health, employment and housing into a comprehensive array of programs accessed through a single point of entry. Assistive Technology Partnership services include public awareness, information and referral, technical assistance, assessments, training, an equipment demonstration/loan program, an equipment reuse program and funding coordination to help obtain assistive technology devices and home or worksite modifications. Assistive technology services are available to individuals of all ages and all types of disabilities. Information is available by calling Tobias Orr or Steve Miller at (888) 806-6287 or (402) 471-0734, email — [atp@nebraska.gov](mailto:atp@nebraska.gov), or on the website — [www.atp.ne.gov](http://www.atp.ne.gov)

#### *Statewide Independent Living Council*

The Statewide Independent Living Council was established to meet the requirements of Title VII, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which was amended by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014. The Independent Living Services program promotes the independent living philosophy and develops independent living services for persons with disabilities in Nebraska. A consumer-driven organization, the majority of council members have disabilities. The council educates policymakers and consumers, identifies unmet needs in the area of independent living and expands and improves independent living services.

#### *State Rehabilitation Council*

The State Rehabilitation Council was established to meet the requirements of Title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which was amended by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014. The council reviews, analyzes and advises the state voca-

tional rehabilitation agency regarding the performance of the agency's responsibilities. The council prepares and presents an annual report to the State Board of Education and the commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration.

#### *Client Assistance Program*

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The Client Assistance Program provides assistance and advocacy for individuals who have questions or concerns related to Nebraska VR (Vocational Rehabilitation), Centers for Independent Living and the Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired. The program also includes the Hotline for Disability Services, (800) 742-7594, which provides information and referral services to Nebraskans who have questions or concerns related to disabilities.

#### **General Counsel**

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The General Counsel's office advises the State Board of Education, the commissioner, the deputy commissioner, department administrators and staff with reference to the legal duties of the agency. The office drafts and reviews legal opinions, rules, leases, contracts and other legal documents. The office responds to inquiries from the public. The office carries out investigations, represents the agency in administrative proceedings and assists the attorney general's office in court proceedings.

#### **Human Resources**

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The Human Resources office provides a full range of services including employee recruitment, orientation, compensation and classification, benefits administration, labor relations and compliance with equal opportunity, nondiscrimination and other applicable state and federal laws.

#### **Finance and Organizational Services**

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**Central Accounting:** Paul Haas, Supervisor, phone (402) 471-3563

**Financial Services:** Shane Rhian, Director, phone (402) 471-4313

Administrative Services provides a variety of internal services to department staff and programs. These services include accounting, audit coordination, budget coordination, financial aid distribution and accounting for categorical programs and office services.

#### *School Finance and Organization Services*

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State Aid Director, (402) 471-3323

The School Finance and Organization Services Team provides school finance information and assistance to the Legislature, the State Board of Education, public schools and other interested citizens. State funds are distributed to school districts in accordance with the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act under an income tax rebate and resource equalization formula. Funds are distributed for the In-Lieu-of School Land Tax program, and for State Apportionment, which is derived from revenue resulting from lease of permanent school land. If appropriated by the Legislature, funds for the purchase of textbooks for loan to students attending private approved or accredited schools are also distributed to local school districts.

Other state funds, entitled core services funds used for staff development, technology and instructional materials services, and technology infrastructure funds are distributed to educational service units.

The School Finance and Organization Services team provides consulting services in the areas of pupil transportation, school district reorganization, educational service units, enrollment option program, exempt (home) schools and textbook loans. The State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts (79-435) acts on proposals for the change of school district boundaries.

*Nebraska Professional Practices Commission*

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**Statutory Reference:** 79-861

The Nebraska Professional Practices Commission is composed of 12 educators appointed by the governor. The commission advises the State Board of Education regarding rules and regulations for the standards of ethics and competency for Nebraska public school educators, promotes understanding of and adherence to the standards and provides an orderly method of resolving disputes arising over alleged failure of an educator to adhere to the standards. Disciplinary actions include private admonishment or warning, public reprimand or a recommendation to the state board for suspension or revocation of the educator’s certificate.

The commission holds hearings and adjudicates cases, provides training for commission members to serve as hearing officers, responds to requests to provide information to college teacher education classes, distributes pamphlets on the code of ethics and standards of practices, provides workshops and seminars for lay and professional groups, informs educational entities and the public of the commission’s activities and develops materials promoting ethical standards for the profession.

Commission members serve three-year terms, and no member may serve more than two terms. The commission meets four to six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Representing	Term Expires
Sarah Brown, Crete.....	Secondary Teachers.....	April 25, 2017

David Bywater, Omaha .....	Secondary Teachers.....	April 25, 2019
Vernon Fisher, South Sioux City .....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2018
Michael Fryda, Omaha .....	Secondary Teachers.....	April 25, 2017
Leslie Kalina, Omaha .....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2018
Damon McDonald, Aurora .....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2018
Kevin Pettigrew, Valentine.....	Middle School Teachers .....	April 25, 2016
Andrew Rikli, Papillion .....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2017
Joy Schott, Burwell.....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2018
Darolyn Seay, Auburn.....	Postsecondary Education.....	April 25, 2016
John Skretta, Lincoln.....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2017
Deanna Stevens, Omaha .....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2019
Kelly Muthersbaugh, Lincoln.....	Clerk .....	Nonexpiring

## Board of Educational Lands and Funds

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**Executive Secretary and Chief Executive Officer:** Kelly L. Sudbeck

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Sections 6 - 9 and 72-201

**Publication:** Biennial Report (in even-numbered years) supplemented by report in the *Nebraska Blue Book* (in odd-numbered years)

In the Enabling Act of Congress passed April 19, 1864, pursuant to which Nebraska became a State on March 1, 1867, and as a condition of statehood, the federal government granted generally every section 16 and 36 in each township in Trust for the support of Nebraska's common (K-12 public) schools. The Trust nature, conditions and obligations of this grant are reflected in Article VII, Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Nebraska Constitution and have been recited in numerous decisions of the Nebraska Supreme Court including, for example, *State ex rel. Ebke v. Board of Educational Lands and Funds*, 154 Neb. 244 (1951).

Nearly 2.9 million acres have been acquired in trust for the support of Nebraska's K-12 public schools and approximately 1.64 million of these acres have been sold to private sector owners. Approximately 80 percent of the deeded acres were conveyed pursuant to cash sales or contractual purchase rights vested in buyers, prior to 1900 and several decades before the Board of Educational Lands and Funds came into existence. In accordance with Article VII, Sections 7 and 8 of the Nebraska Constitution, the proceeds from all sales of school lands are deposited into the Permanent School Trust Fund where funds are invested primarily in stocks and bonds by the Nebraska Investment Council.

The board's primary duty is to manage nearly 1.25 million acres of land now held in trust for Nebraska's K-12 public schools. In fulfilling this duty, the board serves as both land owner and land manager. In its capacity as land owner, the board makes substantial expenditures for maintenance, conservation and improvement of the land under its care. In its capacity as land manager, the board issues and services surface leases, primarily for agricultural uses, and subsurface leases permitting exploration for

and extraction of oil and gas, minerals and other natural resources. The board manages approximately 3,200 leases. Sales and trades of school trust land also are discretionary with the board. Land sales, condemnations and easements for combined fiscal years 2014-15 and 2015-16 totaled \$652,000.

The primary sources of revenue generated from Nebraska’s school trust lands are rentals and bonuses for agricultural leases and rentals, bonuses and royalties for mineral leases. Analysis using valuation data from the University of Nebraska Department of Agricultural Economics established that Nebraska’s K-12 school trust lands had a current market value of approximately \$1.22 billion for 1.26 million acres as of June 30, 2013, approximately \$1.47 billion for 1.26 million acres as of June 30, 2014, approximately \$1.55 billion for 1.25 million acres as of June 30, 2015, and approximately \$1.49 billion for 1.25 million acres as of June 30, 2016. These are conservative valuations solely based on agricultural values and do not include enhanced values due to scenic or recreational lands owned by the School Land Trust.

Effective Jan. 1, 2001, school lands became taxable. The board pays these taxes and collects them from lessees as part of the rent. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 9 of the Nebraska Constitution, the net income of the school trust remaining after tax and overhead payments have been made is distributed to Nebraska’s K-12 public schools statewide on a per pupil basis.

Control of Nebraska’s school trust lands was vested in a board composed of state executive officers and a commission of public lands and buildings from 1875 to 1936. The Board of Educational Lands and Funds is now the constitutionally established trustee of Nebraska’s school trust lands. The board consists of five members, four from Nebraska’s congressional districts as they existed on Jan. 1, 1961, and one at large, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature to rotating five-year terms. Once appointed to the board, members are independent trustees who manage the board’s activities and conduct its business operations in a nonpartisan, nonpolitical manner. The board is governed entirely by trust law, and its trustee members are legally bound to fulfill the trust fiduciary duties of maximizing the income and preserving the assets of the school trust for the benefit of the public schools.

The board meets monthly and its members receive a \$50 per diem, plus reimbursement for their necessary expenses, for each day they are engaged in performing the duties of their office.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Martin Demuth, Hastings .....	District 1 .....	Oct. 1, 2016
Jim Hain, David City .....	District 3 .....	Oct. 1, 2018
James Vokal, Jr., Omaha.....	District 2 .....	Oct. 1, 2017
Charles A. Ward, Valentine.....	At Large .....	Oct. 1, 2020
Glenn R. Wilson, Grand Island .....	District 4 .....	Oct. 1, 2019

## Nebraska Commissioners of Public Lands and Buildings, 1877-1939\*

F. M. Davis (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1877-1881	Henry M. Eaton (R).....	1905-1909
A. G. Kendall (R) .....	1881-1885	Edward B. Cowles (R).....	1909-1913
Joseph Scott (R).....	1885-1889	Fred Beckmann (R).....	1913-1917
John Steen (R).....	1889-1891	G.L. Shumway (D) .....	1917-1919
A.R. Humphrey (R).....	1891-1895	Dan Swanson (R) .....	1919-1933
Henry C. Russell (R).....	1895-1897	Harry P. Conklin (D) .....	1933-1935
Jacob V. Wolfe (F) .....	1897-1901	Leo N. Swanson (R).....	1935-1939
George D. Follmer (R) .....	1891-1905		

\* Office created in 1875, abolished by constitutional amendment in 1936 and by statute in 1937.

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

### *Office of the State Surveyor*

**Office Address:** 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE 68505-2347, phone (402) 471-2566, fax (402) 471-3057, email address — [steven.cobb@nebraska.gov](mailto:steven.cobb@nebraska.gov)

**State Surveyor:** Steven C. Cobb

**Statutory Reference:** 84-407

State laws of 1903 require the Board of Educational Lands and Funds to appoint a state surveyor and let the board appoint deputy surveyors as necessary. Under these laws, the state surveyor:

- takes charge, under the board's supervision, of field notes, maps, charts and records of U.S. surveys. A library with these notes and plats is kept in the state surveyor's office. This material is available to the public and copies are provided for a fee.
- prepares and issues, under the board's supervision, instructions to county surveyors. Acting under this directive, the office last provided a complete set of instructions in 1914. Since then, the office has issued instructions on specific items. Directives to county surveyors are currently handled on a question-and-answer basis.
- acts as arbitrator to settle disputes over surveys of boundaries within the state and disputes between surveyors concerning surveys or boundaries. These disputes and requests for surveys have resulted in about 1,500 state application re-surveys. In many cases, disputes can be resolved without re-survey by using advice on surveying issued by the office.
- performs other duties prescribed by the board, including reviews of all educational trust land transfers and giving opinions on the adequacy of trade, sale and condemnation descriptions

After each transfer is completed, the staff supervises changes in the abstracts and provides field staff with plats showing the revised property. The office provides the board with drafting, charts, graphs and court exhibits.

Since 1903, the Legislature has added the following duties to the Office of the State Surveyor:

- In 1961, the Legislature passed a resolution that led to a U.S. Supreme Court case on the boundary between Nebraska and Iowa. The case was decided in 1973, but problems over boundaries still remain. These actions have led to about 20,000 documents filed in the state surveyor's office. The state surveyor serves on the Nebraska

Joint State Boundary Commission.

- In 1982, the Legislature created the State Survey Record Repository in the Office of the State Surveyor. This repository receives copies of most land surveys completed in the state. The office microfilms and files these surveys and provides copies upon request. The Survey Record Repository contains 310,013 documents archived on microfilm, of which approximately 134,279 may be accessed online.

- In 1991, the Legislature created the Geographic Information System Steering Committee. The state surveyor serves as a member of this committee.

- In 1998, the Legislature created the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, now known as the Nebraska GIS Council. The state surveyor’s office provides technical assistance, support and advice to the various counties, cities and other government entities in Nebraska in their endeavors to produce and maintain cadastral and other geo-referenced maps.

The state surveyor’s office also has general governmental responsibility to provide service and information to the public.

**Board of Appraisers for Educational Lands**

**Contact Person:** Kelly L. Sudbeck, Executive Secretary and Chief Executive Officer, Board of Educational Lands and Funds, 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68505-2353, phone (402) 471-2014, fax (402) 471-3599

**Statutory Reference:** 72-224.03

The Board of Appraisers for Educational Lands is authorized to hear condemnation proceedings relating to educational lands. Following each hearing, the board makes and files an award in the office of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

The three board members, appointed by the governor to rotating six-year terms, must be a:

- superintendent of a school district offering kindergarten through grade 12 instruction
- certified public accountant
- licensed real estate appraiser.

The board meets as necessary each year. Members receive compensation of \$50 per day, plus reimbursement for their necessary expenses, for each day they are engaged in performing the duties of their office.

Member	Position
<b>Term Expires</b>	
Jason J. Bryant, Lincoln.....	Certified Public Accountant..... Aug. 22, 2019
Bonnie M. Downing, Dunning.....	Real Estate Appraiser..... Aug. 22, 2021
Charles Isom, Palisade.....	School Superintendent..... Aug. 22, 2017



## Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

**Office Address:** Terry M. Carpenter and Jack G. McBride Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Center, 1800 N. 33rd St., Lincoln, NE 68503, phone (402) 472-3611, fax (402) 472-1785, website — [www.netnebraska.org/television/](http://www.netnebraska.org/television/) (television) and [www.netnebraska.org/radio/](http://www.netnebraska.org/radio/) (radio)

**Secretary/General Manager:** Mark Leonard

**Statutory Reference:** 79-1313

The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission was created by the Educational Television Act, adopted by the 1963 Legislature. In 1984, the Legislature changed the commission's name and broadened its scope to include all educational telecommunications. The commission promotes and provides noncommercial educational telecommunications statewide by satellite, broadcast, fiber optics, computer and other technologies.

Nebraska Educational Telecommunications (NET) is the umbrella designation used to encompass the commission's various services housed at the Terry M. Carpenter Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Center. Among these services is NET Television with its four over-the-air analog and digital TV channels (NET1, NET2, NET3 and NET-HD), NET Radio, NET Learning Services and NET Technology Services including the NET\*SAT satellite system.

**Public Television.** Public television began in Nebraska when KUON-TV signed on the air in November 1954. In April 2003, NET launched its digital television service in accordance with the federal government mandate.

The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission holds the licenses for all nine radio transmitters and five radio translators and for eight television transmitters and 14 television translators. KUON-TV is licensed to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents.

**Board of Regents.** Through a longstanding agreement with the Board of Regents, station KUON-TV operates as the originating station for NET Television's primary channel, NET1. Station KYNE-TV in Omaha may vary from the NET1 broadcast schedule in order to meet the needs of the Omaha community.

NET Television now has four digital broadcast services, including one high-definition broadcast signal:

- NET1 and NET-HD includes signature Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) programs and award-winning, locally produced public television programs which can be seen in high-definition where applicable.
- NET2 offers the *PBS World* service, a collection of news and public affairs programming. NET2 also offers live coverage of the Nebraska Unicameral.
- NET3 offers *Create*, public television's most popular how-to, travel and lifestyle programs.

The NET Television schedule includes acquired programs from PBS and other national and regional distributors. NET Television also produces local programs featuring Nebraska people, places and history, such as fine arts performances, high school sports championships, and regular series such as *Backyard Farmer*, *Big Red Wrap-Up* and

*Nebraska Stories*. Recent local documentary productions include *The Recipe Box*, featuring the recipes and stories of nine homegrown Nebraska cooks; *Walk-Ons: Husker's Edge*, about the University of Nebraska football walk-ons program; and *Jazz Cabaret*, featuring the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Jazz Faculty Ensemble. NET Television also produces documentaries that are broadcast nationwide, such as the recent production *Homemade Astronaut: The Clay Anderson Story*.

A percentage of the financial support for local productions comes from the statewide nonprofit citizen support groups, the NET Foundation for Television and the NET Foundation for Radio. NET also receives federal and state funding.

NET's specialized services include Radio Talking Book and the Descriptive Video Service.

Radio Talking Book, Inc. (RTB) is an Omaha-based nonprofit organization that broadcasts nearly 5,000 hours of audio books, magazines and newspapers to 5,000 visually impaired Nebraskans each year. In the summer of 2008, RTB was converted from NET Television's second audio program channel to the NET FM radio network. RTB supplies a free radio receiver to access the FM side band channels.

A number of public television programs are produced with the Descriptive Video Service (DVS) to make them accessible to people who are blind or visually impaired. DVS provides narrated descriptions of a program's key visual elements, such as action, settings, scene changes and body language.

**Public Radio.** Public radio began in Nebraska in 1986, when the Legislature amended the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Act to direct the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission to establish a statewide public radio network. In 1988, the commission received studio and transmitter equipment for public radio station KUCV-FM from the Union College Board of Trustees in Lincoln and transferred the license from Union College to the commission. KUCV-FM became the originating station for NET Radio. In 2001, KUCV-FM changed its broadcast frequency to 91.1-FM, increased its power and began broadcasting 24 hours each day.

While NET Radio offers primarily a classical music format, a number of news, public affairs, entertainment and interview programs fill out the schedule. National program services, such as Public Radio International and National Public Radio, make possible such programs such as *A Prairie Home Companion*, *Morning Edition* and *All Things Considered*. NET Radio also produces several local programs, including *Friday Live*, and arts and entertainment "magazine;" *Classics By Request*, *Nebraska Concerts* and *Nebraska News*. NET Radio's staff members consistently win statewide and regional competitions for their coverage of news and events across Nebraska.

**Education Services.** NET's Education Services is responsible for the design and delivery of educational and interactive media services to supplement and support curriculum based learning and informal education activities. NET's Interactive and Educational Media Group creates digital resource materials such as the online history textbook [nebraskastudies.org](http://nebraskastudies.org) and CD-ROMS and DVDs for clients across the state and nation. The group also manages all interactive media services for the public television and radio networks. Education Services manages internship and teaching programs conducted at the NET facility and an Educational Outreach component that works

with formal, informal and non-traditional educators throughout the state.

**NET Technology Services.** NET Technology Services includes the NET\*SAT educational satellite and fiber optic networking system. In 1990, the commission replaced its 25-year-old land-based microwave interconnection system with NET\*SAT. Nebraska was the first state to lease a full-time satellite transponder for educational and public service and the first to distribute its public broadcasting services via satellite. NET moved to two new satellite transponders in January 2000.

Many of NET's services are distributed via NET\*SAT, a multiple-channel video and audio service that provides real-time, two-way and one-way video and audio throughout the United States. NET Technology Services also operates a fiber optic service to connect groups of elementary, secondary and postsecondary schools for two-way instruction and to provide videoconferencing capabilities for state agencies, colleges and universities and extension offices across Nebraska.

**Governance.** The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission has 11 members. Nine are appointed by the governor and are subject to legislative approval. The Nebraska commissioner of education, or his or her designee, and the president of the University of Nebraska, or his or her designee, are standing commission positions. Appointed members include:

- a Nebraska state college representative
- a Nebraska community college representative
- a Nebraska private educational institution representative
- six members of the public, two from each congressional district in Nebraska,

none of whom are associated with any of the institutions listed above. No more than four may be actively engaged in the teaching profession or administration of an educational institution.

Commissioners are appointed to four-year terms on a staggered basis. The commission meets monthly, when necessary, with most meetings held at the Educational Telecommunications Center. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Commissioner	Represents	Term Expires
Kenneth Bird, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 12, 2018
Stan Carpenter, Lincoln .....	State Colleges .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Marilyn B. Hadley, Kearney .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Patricia Kircher, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 12, 2019
Lisa May, Kearney .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 12, 2018
Fred Ohles, Lincoln .....	Private Colleges .....	Jan. 12, 2018
Randy Schmailzl, Omaha .....	Community Colleges .....	Jan. 12, 2019
Clay Smith, Lincoln .....	District 1 .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Darlene Starman, Lincoln .....	District 1 .....	Jan. 12, 2019
Matt Blomstedt, Central City .....	Commissioner of Education .....	Nonexpiring
Jackie Ostrowicki, Lincoln .....	University of Nebraska .....	Nonexpiring

# Transmitter Call Letters/Channels/Frequencies

Location	Digital Television	Radio
Alliance.....	KTNE-DTV/13.....	KTNE-FM/91.1
Bassett.....	KMNE-DTV/7.....	KMNE-FM/90.3
Beatrice.....	K23AA-DTV/23.....	N/A
Blair.....	K24GO-DTV/24.....	N/A
Chadron.....	KO6JC-DTV/6.....	KCNE-FM/91.9
Columbus.....	N/A.....	K212AV-FM/90.3
Crawford.....	K06KR-DTV/6.....	N/A
Culbertson.....	K44FN-DTV/44.....	K224CH-FM/92.7
Decatur.....	K34IB-DTV/34.....	N/A
Falls City.....	K46FG-DTV/46.....	K219CE-FM/91.7
Harrison.....	K08LN-DTV/8.....	K208CB-FM/89.5
Hastings.....	KHNE-DTV/28.....	KHNE-FM/89.1
Lexington.....	KLNE-DTV/26.....	KLNE-FM/88.7
Lincoln.....	KUON-DTV/12.....	KUCV-FM/91.1*
Max.....	K33FO-DTV/33.....	K227AC-FM/93.3
Merriman.....	KRNE-DTV/12.....	KRNE-FM/91.5
Neligh.....	K50IO-DTV/50.....	N/A
Niobrara.....	K14MI-DTV/14.....	N/A
Norfolk.....	KXNE-DTV/19.....	KXNE-FM/89.3
North Platte.....	KPNE-DTV/9.....	KPNE-FM/91.7
Omaha.....	KYNE-DTV/17.....	N/A
Pawnee City.....	K33AC-DTV/33.....	N/A
Verdigris.....	K10JW-DTV/10.....	N/A
Wauneta.....	K20IJ-DTV/20.....	N/A

\*Originating station.

## State Electrical Division

**Office Address:** 521 S. 14th St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 95066, Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-3550, website — [www.electrical.nebraska.gov](http://www.electrical.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Kevin Booker

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2103

The State Electrical Division:

- licenses electricians
- enforces minimum wiring standards, as outlined in the current edition of the

National Electrical Code

- inspects electrical installations
- investigates electrical fires, accidents and electrocutions

## State Electrical Board

**Contact Person:** Kevin Booker, Executive Director, State Electrical Division, 521 S. 14th St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 95066, Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-3550

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2103

The State Electrical Division includes a State Electrical Board, which directs the role of the division's executive director and sets division policy. The executive director serves as the board's executive secretary.

The State Electrical Board has seven governor-appointed members who are approved by the Legislature to five-year terms. Members include a journeyman electrician, an electrical contractor or master electrician, a certified electrical inspector, a registered professional engineer, a state rural electric system representative, a state municipal

electric system representative, and a seventh member who may represent any of the above groups. The board meets a minimum of six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Ed Bergstraesser, Lincoln .....	Certified Electrical Inspector .....	Sept. 13, 2020
James Brummer, Norfolk .....	Rural Electric Representative .....	Sept. 13, 2019
Stanley Elsasser, Bellevue .....	Electrician .....	Sept. 13, 2018
John F. Hiller, Omaha .....	Electrical Contractor .....	Sept. 13, 2017
George Morrissey, Omaha .....	Professional Engineer .....	Sept. 13, 2018
Cory Mueller, Seward .....	Licensed Electrical Contractor .....	Sept. 13, 2020
Tom Ourada, Crete .....	Municipal Electric System .....	Sept. 13, 2019

## Board of Engineers and Architects

**Office Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 400, P.O. Box 95165, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2021, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — [nbea.office@nebraska.gov](mailto:nbea.office@nebraska.gov), website — <https://ea.nebraska.gov>

**Executive Director:** Jon Wilbeck

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3428

The 1937 Legislature created the Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Architects. This measure was reconfirmed in 1984. Legislation passed in 1997 changed the name to the Board of Engineers and Architects and updated provisions in compliance with national models. The board establishes requirements for education, experience, examination and enforcement for the practices of engineering and architecture. Funding is provided solely through fees received from those using the board's services.

The board has eight members appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Four of the eight are professional engineers, three are architects and one is a public member. Both an architecture and an engineering faculty member from the University of Nebraska serve as members.

Board members must be U.S. citizens who have lived in Nebraska for at least a year. Members must be licensed in the relevant profession, been active in the design profession for at least 10 years and have had direct supervision of work for at least five of those years at the time of his or her appointment.

The board meets at least 10 times a year. Members are paid a \$100 per diem when conducting board business and are reimbursed for necessary and authorized expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Mark S. Champion, Lincoln .....	Architect .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Michael J. Conzett, Omaha .....	Professional Engineer .....	Feb. 28, 2018
Roger M. Helgoth, Omaha .....	Professional Engineer .....	Feb. 28, 2017
Lenora A. Isom, Omaha .....	Architect .....	Feb. 28, 2021
Krista Kester, Douglas .....	Public Member .....	Feb. 28, 2018
Jennifer Klein, Lincoln .....	Professional Engineer .....	Feb. 28, 2020
Thomas Laging, Lincoln .....	Architect, Education Member .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Randy Peters, Lincoln .....	Professional Engineer, Education Member .....	Feb. 28, 2020

## Equal Opportunity Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94934, Lincoln, NE 68509-4934, phone (402) 471-2024, toll-free phone (800) 642-6112, website — [www.neoc.ne.gov/](http://www.neoc.ne.gov/)

**Executive Director:** Stan Odenthal

**Statutory Reference:** 48-1116

The Equal Opportunity Commission operates under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, the Equal Pay Act, the Nebraska Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Fair Housing Act and the Civil Rights Act of 1969 regarding public accommodations.

**Fair Employment Practice Act.** The commission investigates charges of employment discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or marital status. Discrimination charges must be filed within 300 days of the alleged act for all governmental agencies and employers with more than 15 employees. Jurisdiction covers employers, employment agencies, labor organizations and joint labor-management committees. The commission investigates specific complaints, conducts hearings, subpoenas witnesses, administers oaths and takes testimony. The commission may obtain a court decree to enforce an order.

**Equal Pay Act.** Employers cannot pay employees who do the same job different wages because of their gender. This does not include wage rates established by a seniority system, a merit increase system, or earnings passed on production quality or any factor other than gender. Charges of discrimination can be filed against employers with two or more employees.

**Nebraska Age Discrimination in Employment Act.** Employers cannot discriminate in the workplace because of age, except when the job's demands require employees to be a certain age group. These prohibitions are limited to workers who are at least 40 years of age. Charges of discrimination may be filed against governmental agencies and employers with 20 or more employees within 300 days of the alleged act.

**Fair Housing Act.** State policy prohibits discrimination based on race, religion, color, sex, disability, family status or national origin in acquiring or owning housing. If the commission determines that a city has a law to administer this act's provisions, the commission may refer housing discrimination complaints of that city to the appropriate local agency. If the local agency does not promptly handle complaints to protect the party's rights, the commission may regain jurisdiction. Complaints should be filed within one year after the alleged act. If the commission determines a complaint has reasonable cause and does not receive voluntary compliance with this act, the commission may file a civil action in the complainant's county in district court.

**Civil Rights Act of 1969 (Public Accommodations).** This act establishes that all persons are entitled to equal enjoyment of any public place, without discrimination or segregation on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national origin or ancestry. Anyone claiming to be harmed by an unlawful discriminatory practice may file a complaint with the commission. A complaint must be filed within 10 days after the alleged act of discrimination. Exceptions include places owned and operated by religious associations and private establishments not open to the public.

The commission's seven members are named by the governor to three-year terms. Members meet monthly. They are paid \$50 a day when working on commission business and are reimbursed for expenses. The commission appoints an executive director, who can appoint additional staff if the commission deems it necessary.

Member	Term Expires
Patrick J. Borchers, Omaha.....	Sept. 25, 2020
Michael Carpenter, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2017
Eric Drumbheller, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2017
Rita Griess, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2020
Arnold Nesbitt, Omaha.....	Sept. 25, 2017
Janet Palmtag, Nebraska City.....	Sept. 25, 2018
Kristin Yates, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2018

## Nebraska Ethanol Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94922, Lincoln, NE 68509-4922, phone (402) 471-2941, website — [www.ethanol.nebraska.gov](http://www.ethanol.nebraska.gov)

**Administrator:** Todd C. Sneller

**Statutory Reference:** 66-1335

The Nebraska Ethanol Board, previously known as the Nebraska Gasohol Committee, works with public and private partnerships to expand the production and use of ethanol and related products.

The board administers the Agricultural Alcohol Fuel Tax Fund, which comes from a checkoff of off-highway fuel taxes. The board uses this money to promote the use of ethanol-blended fuels, assists companies with ethanol plant development in Nebraska and sponsors research and development of ethanol-related products.

The Nebraska Ethanol Board has seven members appointed by the governor to four-year terms with approval by the Legislature. Four members must be Nebraska farmers representing general farming, corn farming, wheat farming and sorghum farming. One member must represent Nebraska petroleum marketers, one member must represent business in the state and one member must represent labor in the state. No more than four members may belong to the same political party.

The board meets monthly. Members are paid \$25 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses. The board employs a full-time administrator, who serves at the pleasure of the board.

The board is advised by a four-member advisory committee (statutory reference: 66-1337), representing the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, the University of Nebraska, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and the Nebraska Energy Office.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Timothy L. Else, Belvidere (R) <sup>†</sup> .....	Sorghum.....	Aug. 31, 2019
Galen E. Frenzen, Fullerton (D).....	Corn.....	Aug. 31, 2017
Randy Gard, Grand Island (R).....	Petroleum Marketers.....	Aug. 31, 2020
Scott McPheeters, Gothenburg (I).....	Business.....	Aug. 31, 2017
Mark Ondracek, Blair (D).....	Labor.....	Aug. 31, 2018

<sup>†</sup>Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat.

Jan tenBensel, Cambridge (R) .....	Wheat .....	Aug. 31, 2019
Michael S. Thede, Palmer (R) .....	General Farming .....	Aug. 31, 2018

## Foster Care Review Office

**Office Address:** 521 S. 14th St., Suite 401, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-4420, fax (402) 471-4437, toll-free phone (800) 577-3272, website — [www.fcro.nebraska.gov](http://www.fcro.nebraska.gov)

**Director:** Kim Hawekotte

**Statutory Reference:** 43-1302

The agency was created in 1982 with the Legislature’s passage of LB714, the Nebraska Foster Care Review Act. The act was created in response to Public Law 96-272, federal legislation mandating a response to problems in each state’s foster care system. The Nebraska Foster Care Review Act mandates permanency plans for children and oversight by the Foster Care Review Office of all children involved in the state’s foster care system. The foster care system includes children in all types of out-of-home placements, whether they have been abused, neglected, dependent or delinquent. It also includes children in a trial home visit as defined by statute.

The purpose of the Foster Care Review Office is to provide information and direct reporting to the courts, the state Department of Health and Human Services and the Legislature regarding the foster care system in Nebraska; to provide oversight of the foster care system; and to make recommendations to the Legislature regarding foster care policy.

Oversight by the office occurs at four levels:

- periodic review of children in out-of-home care by trained agency staff and local board members with reports and case-level recommendations provided to the legal parties to those cases
- an independent tracking system to ensure that children are not lost in the system
- advocacy involving all external stakeholders to ensure the best interests of children
- preparation of quarterly and annual reports to the Legislature, stakeholders and the public that provide an analysis of child welfare system data and recommendations for system-level improvements

Beginning in 2013, for administrative purposes, the offices of the staff of the Nebraska Children’s Commission are located in the Foster Care Review Office.<sup>5</sup> The commission was created by the Legislature to serve as a high-level leadership body and permanent forum for collaboration among state, local, community, public and private stakeholders for reform of child welfare and juvenile justice programs and services.

The commission, with assistance from the executive director of the Foster Care Review Office, employs a policy analyst to provide research and expertise to the commission relating to the state’s child welfare system. The Foster Care Review Office director is a voting member of the Nebraska Children’s Commission, which will terminate June 30, 2019.

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<sup>5</sup>For more information on the Nebraska Children’s Commission see Page 715.



The Foster Care Review Office is supported by the Foster Care Advisory Committee. It is the committee's responsibility to hire the director of the Foster Care Review Office.

The Foster Care Advisory Committee has five members selected from lists compiled by the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee and appointed by the governor. Three advisory committee members are local board members. One member has data analysis experience and one represents the public at large.

Members are appointed to three-year terms and cannot have a pecuniary interest in the foster care system or be employed by the Foster Care Review Office, the Department of Health and Human Services, a county, child-caring agency, child-placing agency or court.

The committee meets at least four times per calendar year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Kristin Huber, Omaha .....	At Large.....	March 1, 2018
Michelle Hynes, Dakota City .....	Local Board.....	March 1, 2018
Sandra Kruback, North Platte .....	Local Board.....	March 1, 2017
Elizabeth Neeley, Seward.....	Data Analysis .....	March 1, 2017
Craig Timm, Omaha (chair) .....	Local Board.....	March 1, 2018

## Game and Parks Commission

**Main Office Address:** 2200 N. 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370, phone (402) 471-0641, fax (402) 471-5528, toll-free game law violation line (Nebraska Wildlife Crimestoppers) (800) 742-7627, *NEBRASKAland Magazine* toll-free subscription line (800) 632-5263, recorded message with information on state parks (800) 826-7275, website — [www.outdoornebraska.org](http://www.outdoornebraska.org)

**Director:** James N. Douglas

**Statutory Reference:** 37-101

**Publications:** laws, regulations and orders; wildlife, parks, fishing and boating guides; *NEBRASKAland Magazine*; Public Access Atlas; *Trail Tails Magazine*; state park, historical park and recreation area brochures and information; hunter education; boater education; aquatic education; Project WILD; wildlife and fisheries technical and informational publications; special publications; miscellaneous

**District I/Northwest District Office:** 299 Husker Road, P.O. Box 725, Alliance, NE 69301-0725, phone (308) 763-2940, fax (308) 763-2943

**District II/Northeast District Office:** 2201 N. 13th St., Norfolk, NE 68701-2267, phone (402) 370-3374, fax (402) 370-3256

**District III/Southwest District Office:** 301 E. State Farm Road, North Platte, NE 69101-0430, phone (308) 535-8025, fax (308) 535-8028

**District IV/Southeast District Office:** 2200 N. 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370, phone (402) 471-0641, fax (402) 471-5528

**Bassett Service Center:** 524 Panzer St., P.O. Box 508, Bassett, NE 68714-0508, phone (402) 684-2921, fax (402) 684-2816

**Kearney Service Center:** 1617 First Ave., Kearney, NE 68847-6057, phone (308) 865-5310, fax (308) 865-5309

**Omaha Service Center:** 8495 Frederick St., Omaha, NE 68124-3054, phone (402) 595-2144, fax (402) 595-2569

**Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium:** 21502 W Hwy. 31, Gretna, NE 68028-7264, phone (402) 332-3901, fax (402) 332-5853

The Game and Parks Commission is in charge of managing state parks, wildlife, fish, wildlife lands, boating and all things related to these areas. The commission is funded through permit sales, state general fund allocations and federal funds. This money is held by the state treasury in various cash funds, which are used to administer and develop state fish, game and park resources. The game fund, which includes boat registration money, also is used to enforce and administer state boating laws and support the construction and maintenance of boating facilities. The Park Cash Fund and General Fund appropriations support the state parks. The Land and Water Conservation Fund, a federal grant-in-aid program that is administered by the commission, helps state and local governments acquire and develop outdoor recreation facilities. The commission also administers the Trail Development Assistance Act, another grant-in-aid program.

The commission recognizes state game refuges created by the Legislature in Boyd, Dodge, Douglas, Garden, Holt, Keya Paha, Lincoln, Rock and Saunders counties. The commission also maintains public use areas — including fish hatcheries, recreation areas, state parks and state historical parks — and wildlife management areas.<sup>6</sup>

The commission has its headquarters in Lincoln and has six district offices at Alliance, Bassett, Kearney, Norfolk, North Platte and Lincoln, plus a Metro Information Office in Omaha. Each district office, except District 2 at Bassett, has a supervisory conservation officer, a fisheries manager, a wildlife manager and support staff.

The commission originated in 1879 when a Board of Fish Commissioners was created to increase fish populations and distribution in Nebraska's public waters. In 1901, the governor was made commissioner of a Game and Fish Commission and had two deputies. The commission was disbanded in 1919, and administration of game and fish laws was given to the Department of Agriculture, where it became known as the Bureau of Game and Fish.

The 1921 Legislature created a state Park Board in the Department of Public Works that was attached to the University of Nebraska's Department of Horticulture in 1923. In 1929, the Bureau of Game and Fish and the state board were abolished and replaced with the Game, Forestation and Parks Commission. The governor served as the commission's chairperson. The law was changed in 1935 and again in 1947 and 1949. The 1967 Legislature created the post of state forester for the University of Nebraska. This removed responsibility for forests from the commission, and its name was changed to the Game and Parks Commission.

The 2008 Legislature expanded the number of commission districts to nine by adding one at-large member. Commissioners are appointed by the governor and ap-

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<sup>6</sup> See listings for public use areas and wildlife management areas on Pages 635-638.

proved by the Legislature for four-year terms. Lifetime membership is limited to two terms. Commission members must be Nebraska residents and well-informed on wildlife conservation and restoration and at least two members must work in agriculture. No more than five members may belong to the same political party. Political affiliation is based on a member's voter registration as of the statewide general election prior to his or her appointment.

The commission meets at least four times a year. Members receive \$35 a day when conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

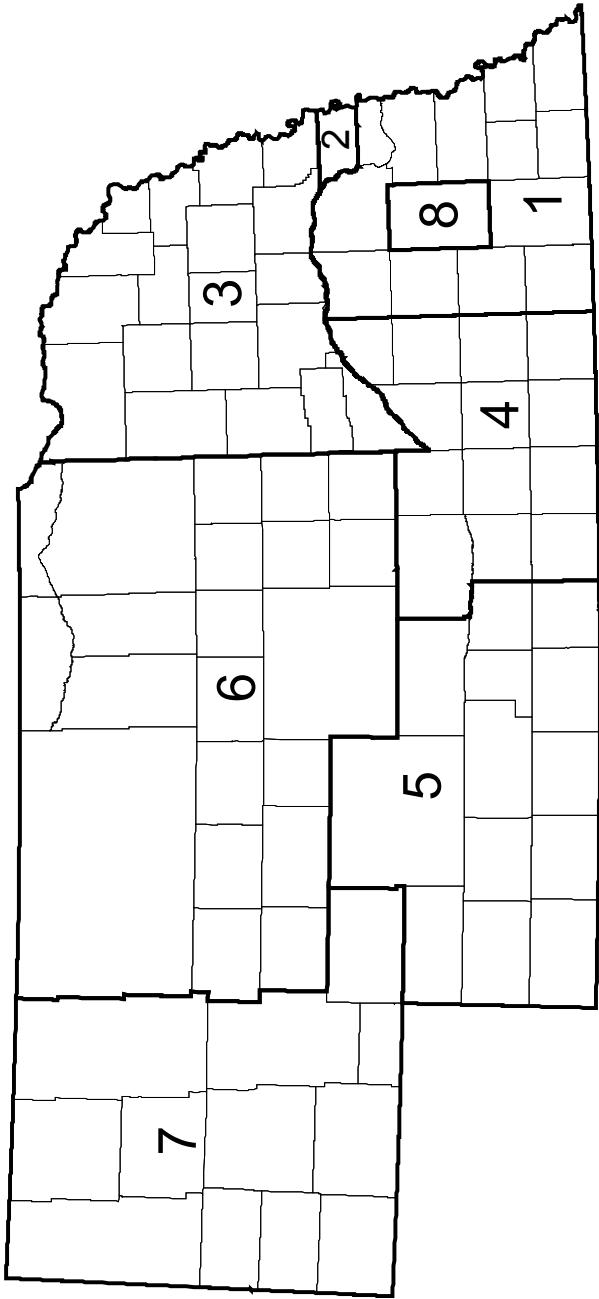
The commission appoints a secretary, who acts as director and chief conservation officer. The law allows the director to apply civil service rules in appointing conservation officers.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Robert Allen, Eustis (I) <sup>7</sup> .....	District 5, Rancher .....	Jan. 15, 2019
Dick Bell, Omaha (R) .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 15, 2020
Pat Berggren, Broken Bow (D) .....	District 6 .....	Jan. 15, 2021
Henry Rick Brandt, Roca (R) .....	District 8 .....	Jan. 15, 2021
James Ernst, Blair (R) .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 15, 2021
Rex Fisher, Omaha (R) .....	At Large .....	Jan. 15, 2018
Dan Kreitman, Wahoo (I) .....	District 1 .....	Jan. 15, 2020
Norris Marshall, Kearney (I) .....	District 4 .....	Jan. 15, 2019
Mark Spurgin, Ogallala (R) .....	District 7, Farmer/Rancher .....	Jan. 15, 2018

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<sup>7</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat, R=Republican, I=Independent.

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Districts\*



\* Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

## Public Use Areas\*

### State Parks

Name	County	Name	County
Chadron.....	Dawes	Niobrara.....	Knox
Eugene T. Mahoney.....	Cass	Platte River.....	Cass
Fort Robinson.....	Dawes and Sioux	Ponca.....	Dixon
Indian Cave.....	Nemaha and Richardson	Smith Falls.....	Cherry

### Historical Parks

Name	County	Name	County
Arbor Lodge.....	Otoe	Buffalo Bill Ranch.....	Lincoln
Ashfall Fossil Beds.....	Antelope	Fort Atkinson.....	Washington
Ash Hollow and Bluewater Battlefield Overlook Site.....	Garden	Fort Hartsuff.....	Valley
Bowring Sandhills Ranch.....	Cherry	Fort Kearny.....	Kearney
		Rock Creek Station.....	Jefferson

### Recreation Areas

Name	County	Name	County
Alexandria.....	Jefferson	Merritt Reservoir.....	Cherry
Blue River.....	Seward	Minatare Lake.....	Scotts Bluff
Bluestem.....	Lancaster	Mormon Island.....	Hall
Box Butte Reservoir.....	Dawes	North Loup.....	Howard
Branched Oak.....	Lancaster	Olive Creek.....	Lancaster
Bridgeport.....	Morrill	Pawnee Lake.....	Lancaster
Buffalo Bill.....	Lincoln	Pelican Point.....	Burt
Calamus.....	Garfield	Red Willow Reservoir.....	Frontier
Cheyenne.....	Hall	Riverview.....	Otoe
Conestoga Lake.....	Lancaster	Rock Creek.....	Dundy
Cottonwood Lake.....	Cherry	Rock Creek Station.....	Jefferson
Danish Alps.....	Dakota	Rockford Lake.....	Gage
Dead Timber.....	Dodge	Sandy Channel.....	Buffalo and Phelps
DLD.....	Adams	Schramm Park.....	Sarpy
Enders Reservoir.....	Chase	Sherman Reservoir.....	Sherman
Fort Kearny.....	Buffalo and Kearney	Stagecoach Lake.....	Lancaster
Fremont Lakes.....	Dodge	Summit Lake.....	Burt
Gallagher Canyon.....	Dawson	Sutherland Reservoir.....	Lincoln
Johnson Lake.....	Gosper	Swanson Reservoir.....	Hitchcock
Keller Park.....	Brown	Two Rivers.....	Douglas
Lake McConaughy.....	Keith	Union Pacific.....	Buffalo
Lake Ogallala.....	Keith	Verdel Landing.....	Knox
Lake Wanahoo.....	Saunders	Verdon.....	Richardson
Lewis and Clark Lake.....	Knox	Victoria Springs.....	Custer
Long Lake.....	Brown	Wagon Train.....	Lancaster
Long Pine.....	Brown	Walgren Lake.....	Sheridan
Louisville.....	Cass	War Axe.....	Buffalo
Maloney Reservoir.....	Lincoln	Wildcat Hills.....	Scotts Bluff
Medicine Creek Reservoir.....	Frontier	Willow Creek.....	Pierce
Memphis.....	Saunders	Windmill.....	Buffalo

\*Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

Public Use Areas (Cont'd.)

Recreational Trail

Name	Counties
Cowboy Trail.....	Antelope, Brown, Cherry, Dawes, Holt, Madison, Rock and Sheridan
Lied Platte River Bridge.....	Cass, Sarpy

Fish Hatcheries

Name	County	Name	County
Calamus.....	Garfield	Rock Creek Hatchery.....	Dundy
Grove Trout Station.....	Antelope	Valentine Hatchery.....	Cherry
North Platte Hatchery.....	Lincoln		

Wildlife Management Areas\*

Name	County	Name	County
Alexandria.....	Jefferson	Bufflehead.....	Buffalo
Alexandria SW.....	Jefferson	Bulrush.....	Clay
American Game Marsh.....	Brown	Bur Oak.....	Seward
Anderson Bridge.....	Cherry	Burchard.....	Pawnee
Arcadia Diversion Dam.....	Custer	Burton's Bend.....	Furnas, Harlan and Red Willow
Arnold Trupp.....	Morrill	Calamus.....	Loup
Arrowhead.....	Gage	Cambridge Diversion Dam.....	Furnas
Ash Grove.....	Franklin	Catfish Run.....	Saunders
Aspinwall Bend.....	Nemaha	Cedar Canyon.....	Scotts Bluff
Avocet.....	Grant	Cedar Creek Island.....	Cass
Ayr Lake.....	Adams	Cedar Valley.....	Lincoln
Ballards Marsh.....	Cherry	Chadron Creek Ranch.....	Dawes
Bassway Strip.....	Buffalo	Chalkrock.....	Cedar
Basswood Ridge.....	Dakota	Chat Canyon.....	Cherry
Bazile Creek/Lewis and Clark.....	Knox	Chester Island.....	Lincoln
Beaver Bend.....	Boone	Chet and Jane Fliesbach.....	Morrill
Berggren-Young.....	Custer	Clear Creek.....	Keith
Big Alkali.....	Cherry	Conestoga.....	Lancaster
Big Horn.....	Dawes	Coot Shallows.....	Buffalo
Big Springs.....	Keith	Cornhusker Farm.....	Hall
Birdwood Lake.....	Lincoln	Cottonwood/Steverson.....	Cherry
Bittern's Call.....	Dawson	Council Creek.....	Nance
Black Island.....	Cuming	Cozad.....	Dawson
Blue Bluff.....	Seward	Crescent Lake.....	Garden
Blue Heron.....	Dawson	Darr.....	Dawson
Blue Hole.....	Buffalo	Darr Strip.....	Dawson
Bluebill.....	Fillmore	Davis Creek.....	Greeley and Valley
Bluestem.....	Lancaster	Deep Well.....	Hamilton
Bluewing.....	Clay	De Fair Lake.....	Grant
Bobcat.....	Brown	Denman Island.....	Buffalo
Bohemia Prairie.....	Knox	Diamond Lake.....	Gage
Bordeaux.....	Dawes	Divoky Acres.....	Saline
Borman Bridge.....	Cherry	Dogwood.....	Dawson
Bowwood.....	Pawnee	Don Dworak.....	Nance
Box Butte Reservoir.....	Dawes	Donald Whitney.....	Gage
Box Elder Canyon.....	Lincoln	Dry Creek.....	Holt
Brady.....	Lincoln	Dry Sandy.....	Thayer
Bramble.....	Saunders	East Cozad.....	Dawson
Branched Oak No. 18.....	Lancaster	East Darr.....	Dawson
Brownville Bend.....	Nemaha	East Gothenburg.....	Dawson
Bruce Cowgill.....	Merrick	East Hershey.....	Lincoln
Buckskin Hills.....	Dixon	East Odessa.....	Buffalo
Buffalo Creek.....	Scotts Bluff and Banner	East Phillips Canyon.....	Gosper

\*Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

## Wildlife Management Areas (Cont'd.)

Name	County	Name	County
East Sutherland.....	Lincoln	Lookingglass Creek .....	Platte
East Willow Island.....	Dawson	Lores Branch.....	Pawnee
Elkhorn.....	Madison	Louisville .....	Sarpy
Elk Point Bend.....	Dixon	Loup Bottoms.....	Howard
Elm Creek.....	Webster	Loup River Public Power District.....	Nance
Elwood.....	Gosper	Margrave.....	Richardson
Enders Reservoir.....	Chase	Marsh Duck.....	York
Father Hupp.....	Thayer	Marsh Hawk.....	Fillmore
Flat Water Landing.....	Platte	Marsh Wren.....	Howard
Flathead.....	Jefferson	Martin's Reach.....	Hall
Flatsedge.....	Polk	Mayberry.....	Pawnee
Fort Robinson.....	Sioux	Medicine Creek.....	Frontier
Four-Mile Creek.....	Richardson	Memphis Lake.....	Saunders
Fred Thomas.....	Rock	Meridian.....	Thayer
Fremont Slough.....	Lincoln	Merritt Reservoir.....	Cherry
Frenchman.....	Hayes	Metcalf.....	Sheridan
Frye Lake.....	Grant	Middle Decatur Bend.....	Burt
Gadwall.....	Hamilton	Milburn Dam.....	Blaine
George D. Syas.....	Platte	Miridan Canal.....	Garfield
Gifford.....	Sarpy	Montz Point.....	Scotts Bluff
Gilbert/Baker.....	Sioux	Mulberry Bend.....	Dixon
Goose Lake.....	Holt	Muskrat Run .....	Lincoln
Green Wing.....	Clay	Myrtle E. Hall.....	Loup and Custer
Greenhead.....	Clay	Narrows.....	Webster
Greenvale.....	Knox	Nine Mile Creek.....	Scotts Bluff
Grove Lake.....	Antelope	North Lake Basin.....	Seward
Guide Rock Diversion Dam.....	Webster	North River.....	Lincoln
Hackberry Creek.....	Antelope	Northeast Sacramento.....	Kearney
Hamburg Bend.....	Otoe	O. John Emerson.....	Holt
Hansen Memorial Reserve.....	Lincoln	Oak Glen.....	Seward
Harold W. Andersen.....	Howard	Oak Valley.....	Madison
Hayes Center.....	Hayes	Ogallala Strip.....	Keith
Hedgefield No. 10A.....	Lancaster	Olive Creek.....	Lancaster
Helmuth Marsh.....	Lancaster	Omadi Bend.....	Dakota
Hershey.....	Lincoln	Osage.....	Johnson
Hickory Ridge.....	Johnson	Overton.....	Dawson
Hidden Marsh.....	York	Oxford.....	Furnas
High Basin.....	Phelps	Parshall Bridge.....	Boyd
Holt Creek.....	Keya Paha	Pawnee.....	Lancaster
Hull Lake-Easement.....	Boyd	Pawnee Prairie.....	Pawnee
Indian Creek.....	Webster	Pawnee Slough.....	Lincoln
Iron Horse Trail.....	Gage, Pawnee and Richardson	Peru Boat Ramp.....	Nemaha
Jack Sinn Memorial.....	Lancaster and Saunders	Peru Bottoms.....	Nemaha
Jeffrey Lake.....	Lincoln	Peterson.....	Sioux
Kansas Bend.....	Nemaha	Pine Glen.....	Brown
Kea West.....	Buffalo	Pintail.....	Hamilton
Keller Park.....	Brown	Platte.....	Lincoln
Kent Diversion Dam.....	Loup	Plum Creek.....	Dawson and Gosper
Killdeer.....	Lancaster	Plum Creek Valley.....	Brown
Kinters Ford.....	Richardson	Ponderosa.....	Dawes
Kiowa.....	Scotts Bluff	Powder Creek.....	Dixon
Kirkpatrick Basin North.....	York	Powder Horn.....	Dodge
Kirkpatrick Basin South.....	York	Prairie Knoll.....	Pawnee
Kissinger Basin.....	Clay	Prairie Marsh.....	Thayer
Langdon Bend.....	Nemaha	Pressey.....	Custer
Larkspur.....	Saunders	Rakes Creek.....	Cass
Leonard A. Koziol.....	Howard	Randall W. Schilling.....	Cass
Limestone Bluffs.....	Franklin	Rat and Beaver Lake.....	Cherry
Little Blue.....	Thayer	Redhead.....	Fillmore
Little Blue East.....	Thayer	Red Fox.....	Stanton
Little Salt Creek.....	Lancaster	Red Willow Diversion Dam.....	Red Willow
Little Salt Creek West.....	Lancaster	Red Willow Reservoir.....	Frontier
Loch Linda.....	Hall	Red Wing.....	Antelope
Lone Tree.....	Merrick	Redbird.....	Holt
Long Pine.....	Brown	Redtail.....	Butler

Wildlife Management Areas (Cont'd.)

Name	County	Name	County
Renquist Basin .....	York	Triple Creek.....	Otoe
Rhoden.....	Cass	Twin Lakes No. 13 .....	Seward
Rock Glen.....	Jefferson	Twin Lakes RC.....	Rock
Rose Creek .....	Jefferson	Twin Oaks.....	Johnson
Sacramento-Wilcox .....	Phelps	Two Rivers.....	Douglas
Sandpiper.....	Fillmore	Verdel Landing .....	Knox
Schlagel Creek.....	Cherry	Wagon Train.....	Lancaster
Scotia Canal.....	Valley	Wanamaker.....	Chase
Shell Lake .....	Cherry	Wapiti.....	Lincoln
Sherman Reservoir.....	Sherman	Wellfleet .....	Lincoln
Shypoke.....	Seward	West Brady .....	Lincoln
Sioux Strip.....	Wayne	West Cozad.....	Dawson
Smartweed Marsh.....	Nuckolls	West Elm Creek.....	Dawson
Smartweed Marsh West.....	Nuckolls	West Gothenburg.....	Lincoln
Smith Lake.....	Sheridan	West Hershey .....	Lincoln
Sora.....	Fillmore	West Maxwell.....	Lincoln
South Fork.....	Richardson	West Sacramento .....	Phelps
South Pine.....	Brown	Whitefront.....	Clay
South Sacramento .....	Harlan	Whitetail.....	Colfax
South Twin Lake .....	Brown	Whitney Inlet.....	Dawes
Southeast Sacramento .....	Harlan	Wildcat Hills.....	Banner and Scotts Bluff
Spencer Dam .....	Holt	Wildwood .....	Lancaster
Spikerush .....	York	Wilkinson.....	Platte
Stagecoach.....	Lancaster	William Gilmour.....	Cass
Straight Water .....	Seward	William's Gap.....	Banner
Sunny Hollow .....	Nance	Willow Island.....	Dawson
Sunshine Bottoms .....	Boyd	Willow Lake B.C.....	Brown
Swan Creek.....	Saline	Wilson Creek.....	Otoe
Swanson Reservoir.....	Hitchcock	Wiseman .....	Cedar
Table Rock.....	Pawnee	Wood Duck .....	Stanton
Taylor's Branch.....	Pawnee	Wood River West.....	Hall
Teal No. 22A.....	Lancaster	Yankee Hill No. 10.....	Lancaster
Thomas Creek .....	Keya Paha	Yellowbanks .....	Madison
Thompson-Barnes .....	Wayne		



## Board of Geologists

**Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 400, P.O. Box 94844, Lincoln, NE 68509-4844, phone (402) 471-8383, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — [nebog.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:nebog.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.nebog.ne.gov](http://www.nebog.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3520

The Geologists Regulation Act, passed in 1998, provides for the certification and licensure of professional geologists in Nebraska whose activities may affect public health and safety. The board accomplishes this through licensure, education, compliance oversight, regulatory services and other duties specified by the act.

The board consists of seven governor-appointed individuals who serve five-year terms. Six members are licensed professional geologists who have at least 10 years of experience. One of the geologist members must be a member of the professional faculty of a geology or related geosciences department of a college or university located in Nebraska. The seventh member represents the public. The board meets at least once a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Thomas G. Correll, Omaha.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2017
Andrew E. Grimm, Omaha.....	Public.....	Feb. 28, 2019
Charles G. Joyce, Omaha.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2020
Martha “Marty” L. Link, Lincoln .....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2021
Harmon D. Maher, Jr., Omaha .....	Geologist/Education.....	Feb. 28, 2018
Ralph E. Martin, Jr., Lincoln.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2019
David M. Svingen, Lincoln.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2021

## Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94982, Lincoln, NE 68509-4982, phone (402) 471-4276, fax (402) 471-3040, email address — [sorghum.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:sorghum.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.sorghum.nebraska.gov](http://www.sorghum.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Barbara Kliment

**Statutory Reference:** 2-4002

The 1981 Legislature passed the Grain Sorghum Resources Act to set up a check-off system and to create the Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board to administer checkoff funds. The program requires a checkoff of one cent per hundredweight, which is collected at the point of first sale of all grain sorghum sold through commercial channels or delivered in Nebraska.

In 2008, a national checkoff on sorghum was implemented that initiated a check-off of .6 percent of farm gate value at the point of first sale. The program is under the purview of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The United Sorghum Checkoff Program (USCP) manages and directs the activities and expenditures of the program. The Nebraska Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board is approved by USDA as a Qualified State Organization eligible to receive “passback” funds from USCP. The money is used to help grain sorghum producers finance market

development, research, promotion, education and federal legislation.

Overseas market development programs are supported with these funds. In this effort, the board works with the U.S. Grains Council, the USCP and the National Sorghum Producers. Through worldwide offices, producers investigate new markets while maintaining established ones.

The board cooperates with the University of Nebraska’s Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources in conducting research projects.

The board has seven members. Six are appointed by the governor from each of Nebraska’s four production districts and two represent the state at large. The board elects the seventh member, who also represents the state at large. All members serve three-year terms and must be Nebraska residents who are at least 21 years old and grow grain sorghum.

The governor chooses appointees from candidates who have completed and filed an application with the governor’s office and have submitted a cover letter, two letters of endorsement from sorghum growers and proof of sorghum production. The Nebraska Department of Agriculture director and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources are ex officio board members.

The board meets at least once every three months and at other times as needed. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Representing	Term Expires
Mike Baker, Trenton.....	District 4.....	July 1, 2018
John Dolnicek, Lawrence.....	District 2.....	July 1, 2019
John Dvoracek, Farwell.....	District 3.....	July 1, 2019
Klint Stewart, Columbus.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2017
Duane Sugden, Sterling.....	District 1.....	July 1, 2017
Duane Vorderstrasse, Hebron.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2019
Vacant.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2015
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Ex Officio
Ron Yoder, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.....	Ex Officio

Nebraska State Historical Society<sup>8</sup>

**Office Address:** 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-3270, fax (402) 471-3100, website — [www.nebraskahistory.org](http://www.nebraskahistory.org)

**Director:** Trevor Jones

**Statutory Reference:** 82-101

**Publications:** *Nebraska History*, special publications of the Nebraska State Historical Society; *Nebraska History News*, listing events and news for society members; *Nebraska Trailblazer* (33 titles), a newspaper for Nebraska elementary students; publications in anthropology (11 numbers); *Nebraska Timeline*, a weekly column distributed to Nebraska newspapers; miscellaneous pamphlets; website, blog and Facebook page.

The Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) was founded in 1878 and was made a state institution in 1883. The NSHS became a state agency in 1994. NSHS collects

<sup>8</sup> For a list of local historical organizations in Nebraska, see Pages 657-664.

and preserves historical information and objects for the state's benefit and administers museums and seven historic sites, the State Archives, the State Historic Preservation Office, the Office of the State Archaeologist and the Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center. NSHS receives Legislative appropriations plus federal and private funds.

Legislative acts in 1905 and 1969 made the Historical Society responsible for preserving public records of state and local government that the State Archives division determines to be historically valuable. The State Archives holds government records dating back to 1854 along with county, municipal and some federal records about Nebraska's development. Other archival holdings include 15,000 linear feet of manuscript collections comprising business, political, religious and personal papers that document the state's development. The photograph collection includes more than 300,000 images relating to Nebraska and its residents. The audio-visual collection consists of over 6.5 million feet of moving images and videotape and several thousand sound recordings.

The Nebraska History Library holds approximately 80,000 volumes pertaining to Nebraska and Great Plains history. Along with books, pamphlets and periodicals, the library has over 3,000 flat maps and atlases, as well as special reference files and indexes on Nebraskans and Nebraska topics. Newspaper holdings date back to 1854 and consist of more than 35,000 reels of microfilm — the largest collection of Nebraska newspapers in existence.

The NSHS's Nebraska History Museum collects and preserves artifacts that help to document and interpret the cultures of people who have lived in Nebraska and the Great Plains from prehistoric times through the present day.

The Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center, a division of the NSHS located in Omaha, provides conservation of historical documents, textiles and museum objects. The center houses a digital imaging laboratory, which offers the highest quality imaging for cultural collections.

The NSHS determines which historical events, sites and traditions are important to the state, and it procures and maintains historical markers. The society accepts gifts to further carry out the program. Most markers are erected and the sites maintained by the Department of Roads. Currently, there are more than 500 uniform markers statewide.

The NSHS investigates historic and prehistoric archaeological sites. A highway salvage archaeology program, started in 1957, entered into a formal agreement with the Department of Roads in 1960. NSHS staff archaeologists survey, record and excavate sites threatened by road construction or repair.

The NSHS is governed by a board of trustees, 12 of whom are elected by the members from each of the state's congressional districts. The governor appoints three members to the board, one from each congressional district, who serve three-year terms. The director/CEO of the NSHS is the board's secretary.

The NSHS trustees meet quarterly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Trustee	Represents	Term Expires
Jeff Barnes, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Lance Bristol, Ansley .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Cherrie Beam Callaway, Fremont .....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2016

Cloyd Clark, McCook .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Brian Croft, Scottsbluff .....	District 3, Governor's Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Spencer Davis, Bellevue .....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Kim Elder, Paxton .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Katherine Endacott, Pleasant Dale .....	District 1, Governor's Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Heather Fryer, Omaha .....	District 2, Governor's Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2018
José Garcia, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Taylor Keen, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Jim McKee, Lincoln.....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2017
John E. Nelson, Omaha.....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Vickie Schaepler, Kearney .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Bryan R. Zimmer, Plattsmouth.....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Trevor Jones, Lincoln .....	NSHS .....	Nonexpiring

*Nebraska State Historic Preservation Board*

**Contact Person:** Bob Puschendorf, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, State Historic Preservation Office, 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-3270, fax (402) 471-3100, website — [www.nebraskahistory.org](http://www.nebraskahistory.org)

**Statutory Reference:** Public Law 89-665, 80 STAT.915, 16 USC 470, et al

In 1967, the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) was directed to carry out the provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act for Nebraska (NRS 82-118 as amended). Through this program, the NSHS can nominate places, structures and objects that are significant to history, architecture, archaeology and culture to the National Register of Historic Places. Other program activities involve maintaining a statewide inventory of sites, reviewing federal actions for effects on historic properties, qualifying private development projects for historic preservation tax incentives and certifying local governments to participate in state and federal preservation programs. Nebraska maintains a statewide historic preservation plan. The director of the NSHS serves as state historic preservation officer, and the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Board, consisting of members appointed by the state historic preservation officer, serves in an advisory capacity for the state's historic preservation program under definition of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Mark Hertig, Scottsbluff.....	Member.....	2017
Barry Jurgensen, Omaha.....	Member.....	2016
John Kay, Lincoln .....	Member.....	2018
Chris Lemke, Lincoln .....	Member.....	2018
Nichole Malone, Omaha.....	Member.....	2017
Betty Mapes, Merriman.....	Member.....	2018
Tom Theissen, Pleasant Dale .....	Member.....	2016
Jinny Turman, Kearney .....	Member.....	2016
LuAnn Wandsnider, Lincoln .....	Member.....	2019
Katherine Endacott, Pleasant Dale .....	President, NSHS Board of Trustees .....	Nonexpiring
Trevor Jones, Lincoln .....	State Historic Preservation Officer .....	Nonexpiring

*State Historical Records Advisory Board*

**Contact Person:** Gayla Koerting, State Archivist, Nebraska State Historical Society, P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501, phone (402) 471-4783.

The State Historical Records Advisory Board's function is to provide leadership in encouraging, promoting and assisting the advancement of programs to preserve and make accessible historical records in Nebraska. As the central advisory body for historical records planning, the board's role is to investigate and report on the conditions and needs of historical records in Nebraska; to determine state priorities for historical records projects based upon National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) guidelines and record conditions and needs; to solicit, foster and develop proposals for NHPRC projects to be carried out within the state; and to review grant proposals submitted by Nebraska institutions and make recommendations to NHPRC.

A majority of members must have experience in the administration of government records, historical records or archives and should broadly represent public and private archives, records offices and research institutions and organizations in the state.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James Griffin, North Platte .....	District 3 .....	April 15, 2017
Benjamin Justman, Bellevue .....	District 1 .....	April 15, 2019
Jessica Noyd, Hastings.....	District 3 .....	April 15, 2018
Rebecca Pasco, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	April 15, 2017
John Schleicher, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	April 15, 2017
Mary Eickhoff, Falls City .....	NACO .....	Nonexpiring
Trevor Jones, Lincoln .....	Nebraska State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring
Gayla Koerting, Lincoln.....	Nebraska State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring
Austin Rhodes, Lincoln.....	Secretary of State	
	Records Management.....	Nonexpiring

# Nebraska Historical Markers, 2016\*

County	Marker Name	Location
Adams	Central Hastings Historic District.....	Alexander Park, 7th St. and N. Lincoln Ave., Hastings
	Crystal Lake.....	Crystal Lake State Recreation Area, Ayr
	Susan O. Hail Grave.....	3.5 miles west and 2 miles north of Kenesaw
	Hastings Chautauqua Pavilion.....	Chautauqua Park, 5th Street and Laird Avenue, Hastings
	Hearwell Park Historic District.....	Hearwell Park, Forest Blvd. and N. California Avenue, Hastings
Antelope	Kingston Cemetery.....	U.S. 281, 2.5 miles northeast of Ayr
	Naval Ammunition Depot.....	Central Community College, 1.5 miles east of Hastings on U.S. 6
	The Oregon Trail.....	U.S. 6/34, 9 miles west of Hastings
	The Neligh Mill.....	U.S. 275, Neligh Mill State Historic Site, Neligh
	The Neligh Mill Bridge.....	U.S. 275, Neligh Mill State Historic Site, Neligh
Boone	Ponca Trail of Tears - White Buffalo Girl <sup>2</sup> .....	U.S. 275, Neligh Cemetery
	The Prairie States Forestry Project.....	1.5 miles north of Orchard
	Logan Fontenelle <sup>3</sup> .....	Neb. 14, Petersburg City Park
	St. Edward.....	City Park, adjacent to Neb. 39
	Alliance Army Air Field.....	Neb. 2, Airport Road, Alliance
Box Butte	Box Butte Country.....	Northeast corner, junction of Neb. 7E and Neb. 87, 10 miles east of Hemingford
Boyd	Burlington Locomotive 719.....	Southwest corner of 18th and Box Butte Ave., Alliance
	Hemingford.....	Main Street, Hemingford
	The Sidney-Black Hills Trail.....	Neb. 2, 10 miles west of Hemingford, 1.7 miles east of junction of Neb. 2 and Neb. 71
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: September 7, 1804.....	Neb. 12, 1/2 mile east of Lynch
	Lost Armen of World War II.....	Neb. 12, 1/2 mile east of Naper near Knollcrest Cemetery
Brown	Ainsworth Army Air Field.....	Ainsworth Municipal Airport
Buffalo	Lakeland Sod High School.....	U.S. 20, 7.5 miles west of Ainsworth
	Blue Mills and Glenwood Park.....	Wood River Road, between 2nd Ave. and Blue Mill Road, Kearney
	Buffalo County's Lincoln Highway Seedling Mile.....	19th Avenue and 24th Street/U.S. 30, University of Nebraska at Kearney
	CCC Camp, Ravenna, NE.....	Neb. 2, 1 mile southeast of Ravenna
	Elm Creek.....	Library on Tyler Street, Elm Creek
Gibson	Gibson.....	Gibson Heritage Center, 2nd and Court Street, Gibson
	Gibson, 1871-1971.....	Windmill Park access road, 2 miles south of Gibson
	The Great Plains.....	I-80 rest area, westbound, Kearney
	Historic Kearney.....	City Centennial Park, Kearney
	Joseph E. Johnson and <i>The Huntsman's Echo</i> .....	Railroad Park, Main Street and U.S. 30, Shelton
Kearney	Kearney Army Air Field.....	Central Nebraska Veterans' Home, 56th and Cherry Ave., Kearney
	Kearney Cotton Mill.....	U.S. 30, 3 miles west of Kearney
	Kearney - Fort Kearney.....	I-80 rest area, eastbound, Kearney
	Nebraska Centre - Boyd Ranch.....	U.S. 30, 1.75 miles west of Gibson
	Post South Loup Fork "Fort Banishment" <sup>4</sup> .....	Neb. 2, 1 mile southeast of Ravenna
	University of Nebraska at Kearney.....	1 mile west of junction of Neb. 10 and U.S. 30

\* Source: Nebraska State Historical Society.

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County	Marker Name	Location
Bufalo (Cont'd.)	Watson Ranch	U.S. 30, 4 miles west of Kearney
Burt	The Logan Creek Site <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 77, 2 miles south of Oakland
	Lyons	U.S. 77, south of Lyons
	Tekamah	U.S. 73, Tekamah
	Victor Colson Homestead	U.S. 77, 1/2 mile north of Oakland
Butler	Shinn's Ferry	Neb. 64, 5.5 miles east of Bellwood
Cass	Boss Streetcar Aldrich: 1881-1954	Boss Streetcar Aldrich House, 204 East F St., Elmwood
	Company A - First Nebraska Infantry 1861-1866	Cass County Historical Society Museum, 646 Main St., Plattsmouth
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 21, 1804	U.S. 75 at south end of Platte River bridge
	Nehawka Flint Quarries	Village Park, southeast corner of Main and Washington streets, Nehawka
	Prehistoric Burial Site <sup>2</sup>	Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, 4 miles south of Ashland
	St. Patrick's Cemetery	Manley
	Weeping Water Academy	Weeping Water Public Library, Randolph and H streets
Cedar	Cedar County	County Courthouse, Hartington
	Hartington, Home of Two Nebraska Governors	304 W. Franklin St., Hartington
	Historic Missouri Valley	U.S. 81, about 3 miles south of Yankton, S.D.
	Paragon Cemetery	88498-567 Ave., Hartington
	Scenic Missouri Valley	U.S. 81, about 3 miles south of Yankton, S.D.
Chase	Champion Water-powered Mill	Champion Mill State Historical Park, Champion
Cherry	Bryan Bridge	Turnout off U.S. 20, southeast of Valentine
	DeWitty - an African American Settlement in the Sandhills	Neb. 83 near Brownlee turnoff
	Dry Valley Church and Cemetery	Neb. 97, north of Dry Valley Road, approximately 20 miles north of Merriam
	Fort Niobrara	U.S. 20, 1.5 miles southeast of Valentine
	Midair Collision of P-47 "Thunderbolt" Fighter Planes, 1944	U.S. 20, Wood Lake
	Opening the Sandhills	U.S. 20, 37 miles east of Cherry-Sheridan west line, 9.7 miles east of Neb. 20 and Neb. 27 junction
Cheyenne	Cheyenne County	
	Discovery Oil Well - Marathon Oil Co.	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Early Irrigation in Cheyenne County	U.S. 385, 4.5 miles south of Gurley
	Fort Sidney	U.S. 30, 1 mile east of Porter
	Geology	U.S. 30, east edge of Sidney
	The Golden Link	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Lodgepole and the Union Pacific Railroad	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Nebraska's Earliest Documented Burial	Depot Museum, north of U.S. 30 on McCall Street, Lodgepole
	Sidney-Black Hills Trail	Port Sidney Road between Toledo Street and Deaver Drive, Sidney
	Sidney-Cheyenne County	U.S. 30, west edge of Sidney
	Sioux Army Depot	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Clay Center	U.S. 30, northwest of Brownson
Clay	Edgar 1872-1972	Alexander and Johnson avenues, Clay Center
	The German Russians Come to Sutton	Neb. 14, 4 miles west of Edgar
		City Park, Saunders and Ash streets, Sutton

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County	Marker Name	Location
Clay (Cont'd.)	Harvard	City Park, Harvard
	Harvard Army Air Field	Harvard Veterans' Memorial Park, Main Street (Clay Avenue), Harvard
	Harvard Jail	South side of Oak Street, between Harvard and Clay streets, Harvard
	Harvard's 1915 Carnegie Library	309 N. Clay Ave., Harvard
	Midair Collision of B-17 Bombers	Harvard Veterans' Memorial Park, southeast corner of Clay Ave. and Walnut, Harvard
Cuming	The Soldiers' Monument	Southwest section of City Park, Cedar and Saunders streets, Sutton
	Spring Ranch	Neb. 74, 7 miles west of Fairfield
	Sutton	City Park, Sutton
	Bancroft	1/2 mile west of junction of Neb. 51 and Neb. 16
	DeWitt Historical Site	3 miles north of West Point on U.S. 275, 3/4 mile north
Custer	John G. Neihardt Center	Elm and Washington streets, Bancroft
	John G. Neihardt Study	Grove and Washington streets, Bancroft
	Ansley 1886-1986	City Park, Ansley
	Broken Bow	County Courthouse, Broken Bow
	Buckeye	northeast corner of Sumner Road and Buckeye Road
Dakota	Cumro, Nebraska	12.5 miles south of Ansley on U.S. 183, then 6 miles west, on north side of intersection
	Custer County's First Courthouse	Neb. 40, Morgan Park, Callaway
	Mitchell and Ketchum Homesteads	Neb. 70, east of Westerville near Road 459
	The Nebraska State Grange	Neb. 2, 5 miles northwest of Broken Bow
	Westerville 1880-1980	Junction of Neb. 70 and U.S. 183, west edge of Westerville
Dawes	Combs School: Built 1857 - Closed 1964	U.S. 77, 1.5 miles south of Homer
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: August 21, 1804	U.S. 20, 1 mile west of Jackson
	St. John's: 1856	U.S. 20, Jackson
	Territorial Church	Corner of Hickory and S. 15th St., Dakota City
	Tonwatonga <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 77, 3 miles north of Homer
Dawson	Bordeaux Trading Post	U.S. 20, Museum of the Fur Trade, 3 miles east of Chadron
	Butte Country	U.S. 20, 4 miles east of Crawford
	Chadron-Chicago Cowboy Race (1893)	Second and Bordeaux streets, Chadron
	Chadron Creek Trading Post	U.S. 385, 5.5 miles south of Chadron
	Chadron State Park	U.S. 385, 8 miles south of Chadron
Dodge	The Council Tree	5 miles east of Crawford on Highway 20, north on Whitney Lake Road, 1.2 miles to Old Highway 20, west .6 mile
	Crawford	Wayside Park, junction of U.S. 20 and Neb. 2, Crawford
	Crawford 1891 School Bell	Southeast corner of Coates and Fifth streets, Crawford
	The Death of Baptiste Garnier	Main Street, Crawford
	The First Church in Chadron	Chadron Avenue and Fourth Street, Chadron
Dundy	The Fort Pierre-Fort Laramie Trail	Roadside park, west of junction of U.S. 385 and U.S. 20, Chadron
	Adobe Officers' Quarters	Fort Robinson State Park
	1887 Barracks Row	Fort Robinson State Park



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County	Marker Name	Location
Dawes (Cont'd.)	1909 Brick Barracks .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Buffalo Soldiers at Fort Robinson .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Fighting in the Buttes .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Flagstaff, 1890 .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	The Flight of the Cheyennes .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	German P.O.W. Camp .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	K-9 Training area .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Officer's Row, 1874-1875 .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Officer's Row, 1909 .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Post Headquarters, 1905 .....	Fort Robinson State Park
Dawson	Red Cloud Agency .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Fort Robinson <sup>1</sup> .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	The Fort Robinson Cemetery .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Fort Robinson and the Railroad .....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Fort Robinson-Camp Sheridan Pine Ridge Indian Agency Road .....	Intersection of 16th Street and U.S. 385, Chadron
	Central Plate Valley .....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Cozad
	Central Plate Valley .....	1-80 rest area, westbound, Cozad
	The 100th Meridian .....	U.S. 30, Cozad
	Swedish Crosses Cemetery .....	2 miles north of Gothenburg on Neb. 47, 2 miles west on Road 769
	The Tobin Indian Raid <sup>2</sup> .....	U.S. 30, 1.5 miles east of Overton
Deuel	B-24J Bomber Crash .....	Pony Express Park, south of Chappell
	Sam Bass and the Big Springs Robbery .....	U.S. 138, Elker Park, Big Springs
	Big Springs .....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Big Springs
	The Great Platte River Road .....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Big Springs
	Historic Lodgepole Creek Valley .....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Chappell
	Julesburg and Fort Sedgewick .....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Big Springs
	Phelps Hotel .....	Big Springs
	Waterman Sod House .....	U.S. 138, Elker Park, Big Springs
	The Tonia "Volcano" .....	Neb. 12, Pfister Park, east edge of Newcastle
	Lewis and Clark Camp Sites: August 23, 24 and 25, 1804 .....	Neb. 12, 3 miles west of Newcastle
Dixon	Ponca .....	Main Street, Ponca
	Ponca State Park .....	Ponca State Park
	Dodge County Poor Farm .....	1777 County Road 23, near Nickerson
	Fremont .....	5th St. and North Park Ave., Fremont
	The Great Platte River Route West .....	U.S. 30, Fremont State Lake, 4 miles west of Fremont
	Millar-Sloss Pioneer Cemetery .....	1/2 mile west of junction of Neb. 79 and U.S. 30 and 1/4 mile south
	Pawnee Villages <sup>3</sup> .....	U.S. 77, south side of Platte River in Cottonwood Cove Park
	Webster .....	Intersection of County Road K and Nebraska Highway 79, between North Bend and Snyder
	Al-Sar-Ben Field and the U.S. Air Mail .....	UNQ, 1110 S. 67th St., Omaha
Douglas		

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County	Marker Name	Location
Douglas (Cont'd.)	Fort Atkinson.....	1/2 mile east of 96th Street and Neb. 36, north of Omaha
	The Bank of Florence.....	8500 block on North 30th Street, Omaha
	Before Creighton.....	Southwest corner of 19th and California streets, Creighton University, Omaha
	Boettger Farm.....	1/2 mile east of 96th Street and Neb. 36, north of Omaha
	Capitol Hill.....	20th and Dodge streets, Omaha
	Captain William Clark and Private Rueben Field.....	Lewis and Clark Landing, adjacent to Qwest Center Omaha
	Central High School.....	124 N. 20th St., Omaha
	Chief Standing Bear <sup>2</sup> .....	Standing Bear Lake, 138th and Fort streets
	Creighton University.....	On the campus, Omaha
	Crook House.....	30th and Fort streets, Fort Omaha in Omaha
	Duchesne Academy.....	3601 Burt St., Omaha
	Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.....	U.S. 6 and Flanagan Boulevard, Boys Town Campus
	The Florence Mill.....	Neb. 36, west of the Mormon Bridge
	Forest Lawn Memorial Park.....	40th and Forest Lawn Avenue, Omaha (Centennial Garden, Sec. 31)
	George and Sarah Joslyn Home.....	Northeast side of 40th and Davenport, Omaha
	Historic Prospect Hill - Omaha's Pioneer Cemetery.....	33rd and Parker streets, Omaha
	William Henry Jackson.....	W. Dale Clark Library, 15th and Douglas streets, Omaha
	Kobs Pioneer Cemetery.....	Approximately one mile north of 144th and State streets
	Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church.....	2650 Farnam St., Omaha
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 27, 1804.....	N.P. Dodge Park, Omaha
	Lincoln Highway of Elkhorn.....	Old Lincoln Highway, Elkhorn
	Malcolm "X".....	3448 Pindkey St., Omaha
	Nebraska School for the Deaf.....	3223 N. 45th St., Omaha
	Omaha.....	Al-Sar-Ben coliseum, Omaha
	Fort Omaha.....	30th and Fort streets, Fort Omaha in Omaha
	Oto Indians <sup>3</sup> .....	Two Rivers State Recreation Area
	Platte River History.....	Junction of U.S. 275 and Neb. 36, 6 miles northwest of Valley
	Ponyter Hall.....	42nd St. and Dewey Ave., University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha
	Shipley Cemetery.....	Ponca Hills Fire Station, 12919 Ponca Road, Omaha
Dundy	South Omaha People.....	Metropolitan Community College South Omaha Campus, South 27th and Q streets, Omaha
	Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition.....	Heartland of America Park, Omaha
	Winter Quarters.....	U.S. 75/75, Florence Park, Omaha
	General Custer in Nebraska.....	U.S. 34, south edge of Benkelman
	Nature's Gift: The Highway 34 Springs.....	Old Highway 34, 1/2 mile south on Avenue 339, Benkelman
Fillmore	Prisoners of War in Dundy County.....	8.3 miles north of U.S. 34/61 junction, mile marker 13, Benkelman
	Texas Trail Canyon.....	U.S. 34, 4 miles east of Haigler
	Wind Bond's Boyhood Home.....	422 W. 5th Ave., Benkelman
	B-17G "Flying Fortress" and P-47D "Thunderbolt" Crash, 1944.....	Neb. 41, north of Milligan
	Two B-24 "Liberators" Crash Near Milligan, 1943.....	Neb. 41, north of Milligan
	B1-13B "Valiant" and P-47D "Thunderbolt" Crash, 1944.....	Neb. 41, north of Milligan

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County	Marker Name	Location
Fillmore (Cont'd.)	The Blizzard of 1888.....	Neb. 41, 3/4 mile north of Milligan
	1879 Exeter 1979.....	Exeter
	Fairmont Army Air Field.....	U.S. 81, 2.5 miles south of Fairmont
	Fairmont Army Air Field.....	U.S. 6, 1 mile east of Fairmont
	Fairmont Creamery Company.....	Main Street, 2 blocks south of U.S. 6, Fairmont
	Fillmore County, 1871-1971.....	Ninth and G streets, Geneva
	Fillmore County, 1871-1971.....	South Main Street, Ohioa
	Ohioa Auditorium.....	Neb. 41, 1 mile west of the Milligan corner
	The Pioneer Chapel and Ceski Brati Cemetery.....	Neb. 74, 2 miles west of Shickley
	Stockholm Lutheran Church and Swedish Cemetery.....	City Park, Franklin
Franklin.....	Franklin Academy.....	County Courthouse, Franklin
Frontier.....	Franklin County.....	Neb. 18, 1 mile west of Stockville
	Frontier County - Stockville.....	Neb. 23, 6 miles east of Moorefield
Furnas.....	Ingham.....	U.S. 6/34, Holbrook
	Burton's Bend.....	Neb. 89, 2 miles east of Beaver City
	Nebaska's Flying Doctor.....	1.5 miles west, 2 miles north of Holbrook
	Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	U.S. 136, 2 miles west of Oxford
	The Republican River Flood of 1935.....	Edson
	The Small Schoolhouse.....	1/4 mile south of Beatrice Airport
Gage.....	Homestead Movement.....	Neb. 8, 6 miles west of Odell
Garden.....	The Oketo Cutoff.....	Neb. 8, south edge of Barneston
	The Oto and Missour' Agency <sup>a</sup> .....	Ash Hollow State Historical Park Visitor Center, southeast of Lewellen
	Ash Hollow.....	Ash Hollow State Historical Park Visitor Center, southeast of Lewellen
	Ash Hollow Geology.....	U.S. 26, 1.5 miles west of Lewellen
	Battle of Blue Water.....	Neb. 27, 2 miles south of Oshkosh
	John Hollman Grave.....	U.S. 26, Ash Hollow State Historical Park
	Windlass Hill Pioneer Homestead.....	Calamus Reservoir, Visitor Center overlook, northwest of Burwell
	The Calamus Valley.....	Neb. 91, 2 miles east of Burwell
	Easter Blizzard of 1873.....	County Courthouse, Burwell
	Garfield County.....	North of Neb. 91 on Kamp Kaleo access road, 1 mile east of Burwell
Garfield.....	Kamp Kaleo.....	Calamus Dam, 2 miles west, 4 miles north of Burwell
	The North Loup Project.....	Neb. 91, 2 miles east of Burwell
	The Pebble Creek Fight.....	U.S. 283, Johnson Lake
	George E. Johnson.....	Neb. 11, 2 miles south of Scotia
	Chalk Mine.....	Husker Highway and 150th Road, Wood River
	B-17 Crash, 1943.....	5537 St. Paul Rd., Grand Island
	B-17 Bomber Crash, 1944.....	Terminal Building, Grand Island Airport, 3773 Sky Park Road
	Central Nebraska Regional Airport.....	Lot 6, Amick Acres, 3rd subdivision, near Donphan
	Conflict of 1867 <sup>2</sup> .....	I-80 rest area, eastbound, 2.5 miles east of Interchange 312
	Grand Island.....	I-80 rest area, westbound, 1.5 miles west of Interchange 318
Gosper.....	Grand Island.....	Courthouse grounds, Grand Island
Greely.....	Hall County Courthouse.....	
Hall.....		

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County	Marker Name	Location
Hall (Cont'd.)	Hall County Poor Farm Cemetery.....	Neb. 281 and W. Abbott Road, north of Grand Island
	The Old Fort Kearny (Nebraska City) Road.....	1.8 miles west of U.S. 281 on Platte River Road, .2 miles north on Amick Avenue
	LaGrande Isle.....	Stolley Park, Grand Island
	The Lincoln Memorial Highway.....	Pioneer Park, West Second and Cleburn streets, Grand Island
	Martin Brothers.....	Crane Meadows Center, south side 1-80, Alda Interchange
	The Mormon Trail.....	Stuhr Museum, south of Grand Island
	The O.K. Store.....	Fonner Park, Grand Island
	Old Dodge School - World War II POW Branch Camp.....	Corner of First and Walnut streets, Grand Island
	Pioneer Park.....	Pioneer Park, Grand Island
	Standhill Cranes.....	2 miles south of Alda Interchange on Alda Road, mile marker 305
Hamilton.	The Seeding Mile.....	U.S. 30 and Stuhr Road, east edge of Grand Island
	St. Joseph and Grand Island Railroad.....	Pine Street, in Doniphan
	Original Townsite of Wood River.....	U.S. 30, 3 miles west of Wood River
	Deep Well Irrigation.....	U.S. 34, city park, Aurora
	Farmers' Valley Cemetery.....	5 miles east and 1/2 mile north of Stockham
	Hamilton County Courthouse.....	County Courthouse, Aurora
	Siloa Cemetery.....	17th and M Road, Aurora
	Youst Cemetery.....	Corner of Neb. L41D and Co. Rd. E12, 1 mile south of Hampton
	Pioneer Crossing.....	Neb. 4, 3 miles west of Ragan
	The Grand Duke Alexis.....	5 miles east and 2 miles north of Hayes Center
Hitchcock	Culbertson, First Hitchcock County Seat.....	City Park, Culbertson
	The Leavenworth and Pike's Peak Express.....	City Park, Stratton
	Massacre Canyon.....	U.S. 34, 3.5 miles east of Trenton
	Prisoners of War in Hitchcock County.....	Main Street, Palisade
	Stone Church.....	Neb. 17, 8.5 miles south and 1/4 mile east of Culbertson
	O'Neill.....	Neb. 17, 8.5 miles southeast of O'Neill
	O'Neill, Irish Capital of Nebraska.....	Holt County Courthouse, Fourth and Clay streets, O'Neill
	Page Base Line.....	5th and Market, Page
	The Savidge Brothers, Aviation Pioneers.....	U.S. 275, east edge of Ewing
	U.S. Highway 281.....	U.S. 281, 8.5 miles south of O'Neill
Hooker	Site of Hecla, Nebraska.....	U.S. 2, 11 miles west of Mullen
	Mullen, Hooker County.....	Hooker County Courthouse, Mullen
Howard	Dannebrog, Nebraska's Danish Capital.....	Dannebrog
	First Presbyterian Church of St. Paul.....	816 Indian Street, St. Paul
Jefferson.	Grover Cleveland Alexander.....	Corner of Fifth Street and Howard Avenue, St. Paul
	St. Vincencius Cemetery.....	1 mile south, 3/4 mile west of junction of Neb. 11 and Neb. 92
	1880 Diller 1980.....	City Park, east side of Neb. 103, Diller
	Jansen.....	U.S. 136, 1 mile west of Jansen
Johnson.	Plymouth.....	Neb. 4, west edge of Plymouth in town park
	The Smith Limekiln.....	River Road, northwest of Fairbury
	Cook.....	Intersection of the Cook Spur, Main and Third streets, Cook

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County	Marker Name	Location
Johnson (Cont'd.)	Tecumseh	City Hall, Tecumseh
	Axtell, Nebraska	U.S. 6/34, City Park, Axtell
	The Burlington and Missouri River Railroad	Neb. 10, 1.5 miles south of Platte River bridge
	Dobytown	Neb. 50A, 2 miles west of Fort Kearny State Historical Park
	The Great Platte River Road	Neb. 44, 1 mile north of junction Neb. 50A
	Fort Kearny	Fort Kearny State Historical Park
	1872 Lowell 1972	South of I-80 exit 285, Lowell townsie
	Osco Cemetery and School	Osco Road, Upland
	Walker's Ranch	Neb. 44, 1/2 mile north of Wilcox
	Ash Hollow	I-80 rest area, westbound, Roscoe
Keith	Boot Hill	Corner of W. Tenth St. and Parkhill, Ogallala
	California Hill	U.S. 30, 5 miles west of Brule
	Court House, Chimney Rock, and Scott's Bluff	I-80 rest area, westbound, Roscoe
	Cowboy Capital	Mansion on the Hill Museum, corner of North Spruce and Tenth streets, Ogallala
	Ogallala	I-80 rest area, westbound, Roscoe
	Kimball County	I-80 rest area, eastbound, Bushnell
	Magninnis Irrigation Flume	Old Highway 30, Kimball
	Nebraska	I-80 rest area, eastbound, Bushnell
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: September 2, 1804	Village of Lindy
	Ponca Tribe <sup>2</sup>	Neb. 12, near entrance to Niobrara State Park
Knox	The Sage Brothers	Neb. 12, 1.5 miles west of Niobrara
	1776 Bicentennial Prairie Marker 1976	U.S. 77 rest area, 2 miles east of Sprague
	The City of Lincoln	I-80 rest area, westbound, Lincoln
	Civilian Conservation Corps Co. 2738	Main Street, Denton
	Grouse	Area 6, Branched Oak State Recreation Area, Raymond
	County-City Building	City-County Building, Lincoln
	Farview: Home of William Jennings Bryan	Bryan/GH Medical Center East, 49th and Summer streets, Lincoln
	The Ferguson House	700 S. 16th St., Lincoln
	Giant Glacial Boulder	14th and Manatt streets, Lincoln
	The Lewis-Syford House	700 N. 16th Street, Lincoln
Lancaster	Lincoln Army Air Field	Bowling Lake Park, Lincoln Air Park, Northwest 44th and Cumming streets
	Lincoln Aviation Personalities Before 1930	Lincoln Municipal Airport
	Lincoln's Emergence as an Aviation Center	Lincoln Municipal Airport
	Lincoln's Founding Block	Southwest corner of 10th and Q streets, Lincoln
	The Lincoln Regional Center	Lincoln Regional Center, Van Dorn and Folsom streets, Lincoln
	Nebraska City - Fort Kearney Cutoff	Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center, 11700 SW 100th St., Denton
	Nebraska's Prairie Plants	I-80 rest area, westbound, Lincoln
	The Nebraska State Historical Society	1500 R Street, Lincoln
	Nebraska Statehood Memorial	1627 H St., Lincoln
	Nine-Mile Prairie	Former air base ammunition depot, west of Northwest 48th Street, Lincoln

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County	Marker Name	Location
Lancaster (Cont'd.)	Nine-Mile Prairie Memorial	Former air base ammunition depot, west of Northwest 48th Street, Lincoln
	The North Bottoms	10th and Charleston streets, Lincoln
	Pershing Rifles	Military and Naval Science Building, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 14th and Vine streets, Lincoln
Lincoln	Rock Island Wreck Site, 1894	3/4 mile south of Old Cheney Road, along Jamaica North Trail, Lincoln
	U.S. Post Office and Courthouse (Old City Hall)	Northwest corner of 10th and O streets, Lincoln
	The University of Nebraska	University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus, 11th and S streets, Lincoln
	Crossing the Overland Trail	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sutherland
	Fort McPherson	U.S. 30, 1/2 mile west of Maxwell
	Fort McPherson	Lincoln County Historical Society Museum, 2403 N. Buffalo St., North Platte
	Fort McPherson and North Platte	1-80 rest area, westbound, Brady
	The Great Platte River Road	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sutherland
	The Great Platte River Road	1-80 rest area, westbound, Sutherland
	Road Ranches Along the Platte	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Brady
Loup	Scout's Rest	Bufalo Bill's Ranch State Historical Park, North Platte
	Sioux Lookout	Courthouse Square, North Platte
	Harpor	U.S. 183, 18 miles north of Taylor
	Valleyview	Valleyview Flats area, Calamus Reservoir State Recreation Area
	Barnes Reserve Cemetery	Ninth and Ingram streets, west side of Madison
	Battle Creek	Neb. 121, north edge of Battle Creek
	Meadow Grove	U.S. 275 wayside area, east of Meadow Grove
	The Skala Timber House	Parks of Pride, Neb. 121, south edge of Battle Creek
	Verges Park	Verges Park, Elkhorn Valley Museum, Norfolk
	Long Tree	U.S. 30, Central City, west edge of town
Merrick	The Morrison Trail	Junction of U.S. 30 and Neb. 92
Morrill	Bridgeport	U.S. 385, north of Bridgeport, south of Platte River bridge
	Camp Clarke Bridge and Sidney-Black Hills Trail	U.S. 26, 3 miles west of Bridgeport
	Chimney Rock	Neb. 92, southwest of Bayard
	Courthouse and Jail Rocks	Neb. 88, 4.5 miles south of Bridgeport
	Amanda Lammie	U.S. 385, southeast of Bridgeport
	Mud Springs	U.S. 385, between Bridgeport and Dalton
Nance	Narcissa Whitman	U.S. 26, 8 miles east of Broadwater
	Genoa, 1857-1859	Neb. 39, City Park, Genoa
	Mormon Pioneer Campsite	Neb. 14, 2 miles south of Fullerton
	Pawnee?	Neb. 39, City Park, Genoa
	Brownville	U.S. 136, Brownville City Park
Nemaha	Half-Breed Tract?	U.S. 136, 1/2 mile east of Auburn
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 15, 1804	Brownville State Recreation Area
	Muir House	U.S. 136, Brownville

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County	Marker Name	Location
Nemaha (Cont'd.)	The Nebraska State Teacher's Association.....	Brownville Public School
	Nemaha County Courthouse.....	Courthouse grounds, Auburn
	Peru State College.....	On campus, Peru
Nuckolls	Indian Captives <sup>2</sup> .....	Oregon Trail Park, Oak
	1864 Indian Raids.....	Neb. 14, 9 miles north of Nelson
	Original Townsite of Oak.....	2 miles southeast of Oak on Oak-Rusklin Road, near Little Blue River
	The Skirmish at Spring Creek.....	U.S. 136, 2 miles west of Rusklin
Onee	Abor Lodge.....	Abor Lodge, Second and Centennial streets, Nebraska City
	Camp Creek Cemetery and Chapel.....	Northeast corner of County Road P and County Road 70, Nebraska City vicinity
	First United Methodist Church of Nebraska City - Mother Church of Methodism.....	1023 First Ave., Nebraska City
	Indian Treaty Monument <sup>2</sup> .....	U.S. 73/75, about 3 miles west and north of courthouse corner in Nebraska City
	Old Fort Kearny.....	East Central Ave., Nebraska City
	The Kregel Windmill Factory.....	1416 Central Ave., Nebraska City
	Mayhew Cabin 1855.....	Neb. 2, John Brown Park, Nebraska City
	Nebraska City.....	2100 4th and Corso
	Nebraska City-Fort Kearny Cutoff.....	Neb. 2, northwest edge of Syracuse
	1882 Talmage, Nebraska 1982.....	Talmage
	U.S. Air Force Atlas Missile Site.....	225 N. 56th Road, Nebraska City
Pawnee	Dubois Czech Hall.....	1.5 miles north of DuBois on U.S. 50, west on county road
	Pawnee City.....	Mini park, Seventh and G streets, Pawnee City
	Village of Steinauer.....	3 miles east of Steinauer
Perkins	The Texas Trail.....	Neb. 23, east edge of Madrid
	Wild Horse Spring.....	Neb. 61, 4.5 miles north of Grant
Phelps	Atlanta Prisoner-of-War Camp.....	U.S. 6/34, 1 mile northeast of Atlanta
	Bertrand 1885-1985.....	City Park, Bertrand
	First Site of Bethel Lutheran Church and Cemetery, June 1879.....	3 miles east of Holdrege on U.S. 6, 1/2 mile south
	Funk, Nebraska.....	Harmony Park, Funk
	Historic Platte Valley.....	U.S. 183, 2 miles south of Platte River bridge
	Holdrege Silt Loam - The Nebraska State Soil.....	2701 Burlington St., Nebraska Prairie Museum, Holdrege
	Phelps County.....	County Courthouse, Holdrege
	Site of Old Sacramento.....	4 miles south and 4 miles east of Holdrege
Pierce	Gilman Park.....	City Park, Pierce
	The Meridian Highway.....	Highway 13 and 552nd Ave., south of Pierce
	Old Willow Creek Bridge.....	City Park, Pierce
Platte	Agricultural Park.....	Agricultural Park, Tenth Ave. and 15th Street, Columbus
	Duncan, 1871-1971.....	U.S. 30, corner of Ninth and Main streets, Duncan
	Granville Cemetery.....	4.5 miles west and 1 mile south of Humphrey on 444th St.
	Alfred Maximilian Gruenther: 1899-1983.....	City Auditorium, 315 Fourth St., Platte Center

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County	Marker Name	Location
Platte (Cont'd.)	Andrew Jackson Higgins	U.S. 81, W. Pawnee Park, Columbus
	The Lincoln Highway-Gardner Station Section	9 miles west of 340th Avenue on 115 Street, west of Columbus
	The North Brothers	U.S. 81, adjacent to Chamber of Commerce, corner of 33rd Avenue and Seventh Street, Columbus
	The Villaur Expedition, 1720	Pawnee Park, Columbus
Polk	West Hill Community	West Hill Cemetery, 5.5 miles north and 6 miles west of Monroe
	Oscola and the Early Pioneer: 1867-1967	Neb. 92, east edge of Oscola
	The Village of Polk	2 blocks north of Neb. 66 on Main Street, City Park, Polk
	Stromsburg - The Swede Capital of Nebraska	Buckley Park (camping area), on U.S. 81, south edge of Stromsburg
Red Willow	Mallatieu University	U.S. 6/34, Bartley
	McCook Army Air Base	U.S. 83, 7 miles north of McCook
	George William Norris: 1861-1944	Norris Avenue, City Park, McCook
	Pawnee Woman's Grave <sup>2</sup>	City Park, Indianola
Richardson	First Oil Well	Neb. 8, 5 miles west of Falls City
	Humboldt Commercial Historic District	City Square Park, 4th and Central, Humboldt
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 13, 1804	U.S. 159, east side of Rulo
	Missouri River	U.S. 159, east side of Rulo
	Point of Beginning of the Public Land Surveys of the Sixth Principal Meridian	State line on Rulo/White Cloud Road
	Spring Valley Park	U.S. 20, Newport
Rock-Saline	Czech Capital	Junction of Neb. 103 and Neb. 41, Wilber
	Nebraska Chautauquas	Tuxedo Park, Crete
	Pfc. Charley Havlat	Saline County Museum, 1445 Nebr. 33, Dorchester
	Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill Cemetery, County Road HH, east of Dorchester
Sarpy	Sgt. Leodegar Schnyder	Neb. 74, northeast corner of Tobias
	Swan City	Neb. 103, 2 miles northwest of DeWitt
	Bellevue	U.S. 73/75, south of Bellevue
	Bellevue Log Cabin	19th and Hancock streets, Bellevue
	Fontenelle Bank County Courthouse	Neb. 370, Main and Mission streets, northwest corner, Bellevue
	The Great Platte Valley	180 rest area, westbound, Metia Hill
Saunders	Gretina Fish Hatchery	South of Gretina and Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium, Schramm Recreation Area
	The Original Union Pacific Main Line through Papillion	222 N. Jefferson, Sump Library, Papillion
	Oro Mission <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 73/75, south of Bellevue
	New Pennsylvania Cemetery	1/2 mile north of U.S. 370 near 198th Street, east of Gretina
	First Presbyterian Church	20th Avenue and Franklin, Bellevue
	Springfield Community Hall	104 Main St., Springfield
Saunders	The Armour and Company Icehouse	Memphis State Recreation Area
	The Os-Bow Trail	U.S. 6, Lincoln City Water Treatment Plant, Ashland
	Saunders County	County Courthouse, Wahoo
	The Yutan Oto Indian Village	Neb. 92, just south of Yutan



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County	Marker Name	Location
Scotts Bluff	The Great Smoke/Horse Creek Treaty	U.S. 26, 3 miles southeast of Henry
	Fort Mitchell, 1864-1867	U.S. 92, 4 miles northwest of junction with Neb. 71, west of Scottsbluff
	Scottsbluff Army Airfield	Scotts Bluff County Airport
Rebecca	Winters	U.S. 26, 2 miles east of Scottsbluff
Seward	Beaver Crossing, Nebraska	City Park, Beaver Crossing
	The Beaver Crossing Mill	City Park, Beaver Crossing
	The Big Blue River	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Milford
	Historic Milford	City Park, 600 block of 2nd St., Milford
	Plum Creek Prairie	U.S. 34, east edge of Seward
	Seward, Nebraska's Fourth of July City	County Courthouse, Seward
	Tall Grass Prairie	1-80 rest area, westbound, Goehner
Sheridan	Antioch: Potash Boom-Town	Neb. 2, west of Antioch
	Japanese Balloon Bombs	Approximately 15 miles north of Ellsworth on Neb. 27
	Rushville	Main Street Park, Rushville
	Mari Sandoz - 1896-1966	Neb. 27, 30 miles south of Gordon
	Camp Sheridan and Spotted Tail Agency	U.S. 20, Hay Springs
	Spade Ranch	Neb. 27, Ellsworth
Sherman	Austin	Neb. 58, 7 miles northwest of Rockville
	Dead Horse Creek	Neb. 92, southwest of Loup City
	Jenner's Park	Jenner's Park, Loup City
	Loup City Riot, 1934	County Courthouse, Loup City
Sioux	The Cheyenne Outbreak <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 20, 1 mile southwest of Fort Robinson
	Coffee Siding	U.S. 20, 1 mile east of Wyoming line
	Fort Laramie-Fort Robinson Trail	Neb. 29, 11 miles south of Harrison
	Village of Harrison	U.S. 20 and Kate Street, Harrison
Stanton	Stanton County	U.S. 275, 3 miles west of Blger
Thayer	Bruning Army Air Field	Neb. 4, milepost 118.5, southeast of Bruning
	The Forty-Niner Trail	Thayer County Museum, Belvidere
	Friedensau	U.S. 136, 2 miles east of junction with Neb. 5, near Deshler
	The Hebron CCC and POW Camps	Riverside Park, Hebron
Thomas	Thayer County	Thayer County Courthouse, Hebron
	The Haumann Sisters	Main and Walnut, west side of County Courthouse, Thedford
	The Sandhills	Junction of U.S. 83 and Neb. 2, east of Thedford
Thurston	Village of Halsey	Village Park, Halsey
	Omaha Tribe	U.S. 75, Macy
	Susan LaFlesche Picotte Memorial Hospital <sup>2</sup>	North of junction of U.S. 77 and Neb. 94, Walthall
	Susan LaFlesche Picotte Memorial Hospital <sup>2</sup>	In Walthall at the site
Valley	Winnepago Scouts <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 77 Bson Turnout, 1/2 mile north of Winnepago
	Arcadia Centennial, 1885-1985	Neb. 70, west edge of Arcadia
	Arcadia Congregational Church	Hill and Bridge Streets, Arcadia

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County	Marker Name	Location
Valley (Cont'd.)	Blizzard of 1888.....	Neb. 70, 9 miles south of Ord
	Calamus Townsite.....	2.5 miles north of Elyria on road to Fort Hartsuff
	Fort Hartsuff: 1874-1881.....	Neb. 11, east edge of Elyria
	Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park.....	Neb. 11, 3 miles north of Elyria on Fort Hartsuff Road
	Evelyn Sharp.....	Ord Airport, Ord
	St. Mary's Catholic Church.....	Neb. 11, east edge of Elyria
	Fort Atkinson.....	US. 73, Fort Calhoun
	Fort Calhoun.....	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park, Fort Calhoun
	Fort Calhoun Schools at Washington Square.....	11th and Monroe streets, Fort Calhoun
	Brewster Cemetery.....	2.5 miles west of US. 30 on County Road 26
Washington.	Congregational Church of Blair.....	16th and Collafax streets, Blair
	Cuning City Cemetery and Nature Preserve.....	3.5 miles north of Blair on U.S.173 and 1/2 mile west on county road
	DeSoto Townsite.....	US. 73, Omaha Public Power District plant north of Fort Calhoun
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 30 - August 2, 1804.....	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: August 3-4, 1804.....	YMCA, 1278 Wilbur St., Blair
	Steamboat Bertrand.....	Iowa U.S. 30, DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
	The Death of Marshal Suverkrubbe.....	US. 75 and Washington Street, Fort Calhoun
	Wayne.....	Neb. 35, at airport east of Wayne
	Wayne State College.....	Neb. 15, west side of Bentback Hall, Wayne State College
	Burlington Depot.....	Corner of Seward and Welch streets, Red Cloud
Webster	Cather Childhood Home.....	Third Avenue and Walnut Street, Red Cloud
	Willa Cather Memorial Prairie.....	US. 281, 6 miles south of Red Cloud
	Catherland.....	US. 281, Neb. 4, 14 miles north of Red Cloud
	Cowles Consolidated School.....	Fourth and Adams streets, Cowles
	Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 1904-1952.....	8 miles north, 2.3 miles west of junction of US. 136 and Neb. 78
	Grace Episcopal Church.....	Sixth Avenue and Cedar Street, Red Cloud
	Red Cloud, 1871-1971.....	Corner of Third Avenue and Webster Street, Red Cloud
	Republican Paynee Village <sup>2</sup> .....	Neb. 78, Guide Rock
	School District 35, "The Killough School".....	7 miles north of Guide Rock on Neb. 78, 2 miles east, 1.5 miles north
	St. Juliana Falconieri Catholic Church.....	Third Avenue and Walnut Street, Red Cloud
York	Benjamin Wagoner Memorial Cemetery.....	4 miles south on U.S. 281, then 3.75 miles east from Red Cloud
	Webster County, 1871-1971.....	US. 281, Red Cloud
	Bradshaw.....	Village Park, 400 Lincoln Avenue, Bradshaw
	Henderson Mennonite Centennial 1874-1974.....	Henderson
	Henderson, Nebraska - Centennial - 1887-1987.....	City Park, 14th and Cedar streets, Henderson
	Nebraska 4-H Clubs Began in York County.....	York County Fairgrounds on lawn of 4-H Building, York
	Nebraska City - Fort Kearny Cut-off.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, York
	Nebraska City - Fort Kearny Cut-off.....	1-80 rest area, westbound, York
	Porcupine Ranch.....	1.5 miles north of 1-80, ext. 342

<sup>2</sup> Denotes American Indian historical marker.

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City	Name	Address
Ainsworth.....	Brown County Historical Society.....	43026 Finch Road, Ainsworth, NE 69210
Albion.....	Seller's Barton Log Cabin Museum.....	355 N. Main, Ainsworth, NE 69210
Allen.....	Boone County Historical Society.....	1025 W. Fairview, P.O. Box 414, Albion, NE 68620
Alliance.....	Dixon County Historical Society and Museum.....	Box 95, Allen, NE 68710
Arapahoe.....	Knight Museum and Sandhills Center.....	908 Yellowstone, P.O. Box D, Alliance, NE 69301
Arthur.....	Furnas-Gosper Historical Society and Museum.....	401 Nebraska Ave., 42751 Road 732, Arapahoe, NE 68922-0303
Ashland.....	Arthur County Historical Society.....	Courthouse Museum, P.O. Box 115, Arthur, NE 69121-0134
Ashton.....	Saline Ford Historical Preservation Society.....	26259 W. Park Highway, Ashland, NE 68003
Atkinson.....	Strategic Air and Space Museum.....	28210 W. Park Highway, Ashland, NE 68003
Aurora.....	Polish Heritage Center.....	226 W. Cardleton, P.O. Box 3, Ashton, NE 68817
	Sturdevant-McKee Foundation and Museum.....	308 S. Main St., P.O. Box 225, Atkinson, NE 68713-0145
	Nemaha Valley Museum Inc.....	1423 19th St., P.O. Box 25, Auburn, NE 68305
	Edgerton Explorer Center.....	208 16th St., Aurora, NE 68818
	Hamilton County Historical Society - Plainsman Museum.....	210 16th St., Aurora, NE 68818
Bancroft.....	John G. Nehardt State Historic Site.....	301 W. Elm St., P.O. Box 344, Bancroft, NE 68004-0344
Bartlett.....	Wheeler County Historical Society - Courthouse Museum.....	P.O. Box 194, Bartlett, NE 68622
Bassett.....	Rock County Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 32, Bassett, NE 68714
Bayard.....	Bayard Depot Museum.....	103 S. Main St., P.O. Box 345, Bayard, NE 69334-0345
	Chimney Rock National Historic Site - Abbott Visitor Center.....	9822 Road 75, P.O. Box F, Bayard, NE 69334-0680
Beatrice.....	Gage County Heritage Preservation.....	721 Grant, Beatrice, NE 68310
	Gage County Historical Society Museum.....	101 N. Second St., P.O. Box 793, Beatrice, NE 68310-0793
	Hornstead National Monument.....	8523 W. State Highway 4, Beatrice, NE 68310
	Main Street Beatrice.....	204 4th St., P.O. Box 125, Beatrice, NE 68310
Bellevue.....	Sarpy County Historical Society.....	2402 Clay St., Bellevue, NE 68005
Belvidere.....	Thayer County Historical Society and Museum.....	311 Seventh St., Belvidere, NE 68315
Benkelman.....	Dundy County Historical Society.....	522 Arapahoe, P.O. Box 511, Benkelman, NE 69021
Bennington.....	Bennington Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 15, Bennington, NE 68007
Blair.....	Blair Historic Preservation Alliance.....	P.O. Box 94, Blair, NE 68008
Boys Town.....	Father Flanagan's Boys' Home Hall of History.....	14057 Flanagan Blvd., Boys Town, NE 68010
Brewster.....	Blaine County Historical Society.....	43007 Schipporeit Road, Brewster, NE 68821
Bridgeport.....	Pioneer Trails Museum.....	East Highway 385, Bridgeport, NE 69336
Broken Bow.....	Custer County Historical Society.....	445 S. Ninth Ave., P.O. Box 354, Broken Bow, NE 68822-0354
Brownville.....	Brownville Historical Society.....	131 Main St., P.O. Box 1, Brownville, NE 68321
Burchard.....	Captain Menewether Lewis Foundation.....	P.O. Box 145, Brownsville, NE 68321
Burwell.....	Harold Lloyd Foundation of Burchard, Nebraska.....	207 Ocoe St., Burchard, NE 68323
	Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park.....	82036 Fort Ave., Burwell, NE 68823
	Garfield County Historical Society.....	737 H St., Burwell, NE 68823
Butte.....	Butte Community Historical Center and Museum.....	721 First St., Butte, NE 68722

\* Source: Nebraska State Historical Society.

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City	Name	Address
Cairo	Cairo Roots Research Museum	305 Said St., Cairo NE 68824
Callaway	Seven Valleys Historical Society and Museum	607 S. Wymore, Callaway, NE 68825
Cambridge	Cambridge Museum	212 Penn St., P.O. Box 129, Cambridge, NE 69022
Central City	Merrick County Historical Society and Museum	211 E. St., Central City, NE 68826
Chadron	Dawes County Historical Society and Museum	341 Country Club Road, P.O. Box 1319, Chadron, NE 69337-1319
	Eleanor Barbour Cook Museum of Geology	Chadron State College, 1000 Main St., Chadron, NE 69337
	Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center	Chadron State College, 1000 Main St., Chadron, NE 69337
	Museum of the Fur Trade	6321 Highway 20, P.O. Box 1276, Chadron, NE 69337
Chappell	Chappell Museum Association - Deuel County Historical Society	P.O. Box 324, Chappell, NE 69129-0324
Clarkson	Clarkson Historical Society	221 Pine St., P.O. Box 121, Clarkson, NE 68629
Clay Center	Clay County Historical Society and Museum	316 W. Glenville St., P.O. Box 191, Clay Center, NE 68933-0201
Columbus	Platte County Historical Society	2916 16th Street, P.O. Box 31, Columbus, NE 68602
Comstock	Dowse Sod House	80560 Oak Grove Road, Comstock, NE 68828
	The Kikac Museum and Pirate Cove	46331 804 A Road, Comstock, NE 68828
Cozad	10th Meridian Museum	218 E. Eighth St., P.O. Box 355, Cozad, NE 69130
	Robert Henri Museum	218 E. Eighth St., P.O. Box 355, Cozad, NE 69130
Crawford	Crawford Historical Society and Museum	339 Second St., P.O. Box 333, Crawford, NE 69339
	Fort Robinson Museum	3200 W. Highway 20, P.O. Box 304, Crawford, NE 69339-0304
	Hudson-Meng Education and Research Center	1811 Meng Drive, Crawford, NE 69339
	Trailside Museum - Fort Robinson State Park	Highway 20, P.O. Box 462, Crawford, NE 69339-0462
Creighton	Creighton Historical Center, Inc.	P.O. Box 538, Creighton, NE 68729
	Boswell Observatory Museum, Doane College	1014 Boswell Ave., Crete, NE 68333
Crete	Crete Heritage Society - Historic Bickel Farmstead	800 West 13th St., P.O. Box 304, Crete, NE 68333
	Nebraska Preservation Network	841 Forest Ave., Crete, NE 68333
Curtis	Frontier County Historical Society	P.O. Box 242, Curtis, NE 69025-0242
Dakota City	Dakota County Historical Society	P.O. Box 971, Dakota City, NE 68731
Dalton	Dalton Historical Society	P.O. Box 353, Dalton, NE 69131
David City	Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art	575 E. St., David City, NE 68632
	Butler County Historical Society	3861 MN Road, David City, NE 68632
Dawson	Pennsylvania Colony of Nebraska Historical Society	71329 638 Ave., Dawson, NE 68337
Decatur	Decatur Historical Committee	400 W. Eighth St., Decatur, NE 68020
Denton	Denton Community Historical Society	P.O. Box 405, Denton, NE 68339
DeWitt	DeWitt Historical Society and Museum	15124 N. Blue Ridge Road, DeWitt, NE 68341
Dorchester	Milford Area Historical Society	1479 County Road C, Dorchester, NE 68343
Elgin	Elgin Historical Society	360 Park St., P.O. Box 161, Elgin, NE 68636-0161
Elkhorn	Elkhorn Historical Society	P.O. Box 187, Elkhorn, NE 68022
Elm Creek	Cheyland U.S.A. Auto and Cycle Museum	7245 Buffalo Creek Road, Elm Creek, NE 68836
Elmwood	Bess Streeter Aldrich House Foundation/ Fairbury City Museum	204 East F St., P.O. Box 167, Elmwood, NE 68349-0172 1128 Elm St., Fairbury, NE 68352

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City	Name	Address
Fairbury (Cont'd.)	Rock Creek Station State Historical Park.....	57426 710 Road, Fairbury, NE 68352
Farmington	Fillmore County Historical Society and Museum.....	609 Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 333, Farmington, NE 68354
Falls City	John P. Falter Museum (under construction)	P.O. Box 234, Falls City, NE 68355
	Richardson County Historical Society and Museum.....	1401 Chase St., P.O. Box 45, Falls City, NE 68355
	Richardson County Military History Museum.....	1700 Stone St. Falls City, NE 68355
Fort Calhoun	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park.....	P.O. Box 240, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023-0240
	Washington County Historical Association, Frahm House Museum.....	P.O. Box 25, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023
Franklin	Franklin County Historical Society.....	1309 H Road, Franklin, NE 68939
Fremont	Dodge County Historical Society - May Museum.....	1643 N. Nye Ave., P.O. Box 766, Fremont, NE 68025-0766
	Nebraska Railroad Museum - National Railway Historical Society.....	1835 N. Somers Ave., Fremont, NE 68025
Friend	Friend Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 174, Friend, NE 68359
Fullerton	Nance County Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 333, Fullerton, NE 68638
	Nance County Veterans Memorial and Military Resource Center.....	825 N. 3rd St., Fullerton, NE 68638
Geneva	Strang Museum.....	612 N. Eighth St., Geneva, NE 68361
Genoa	Genoa Historical Museum.....	P.O. Box 279, Genoa, NE 68640-0279
	Genoa U.S. Indian School Foundation and Museum.....	P.O. Box 382, Genoa, NE 68640-0382
Gering	Legacy of the Plains Museum.....	2930 Old Oregon Trail, Gering, NE 69341
	Oregon Trail Museum Association - Scotts Bluff National Monument.....	190276 Highway 92, P.O. Box 27, Gering, NE 69341-0027
Gibson	Gibbon Heritage Center - Soldiers Free Homestead Colony.....	411 Lawn Ave., Gibbon, NE 68840
Gordon	Mari Sandoz Room Museum.....	117 N. Main St., P.O. Box 237, Gordon, NE 69343-0237
	Sheridan County Historical Society.....	512 N. Elm St., Gordon, NE 69343-1356
	Tri-State Old Time Cowboys Museum.....	Winship Park, Fourth and Oak streets, P.O. Box 202, Gordon, NE 69343-0202
Gothenburg	Gothenburg Pony Express Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 263, Gothenburg, NE 69138
	Sod House Museum.....	1617 Ave. A, Gothenburg, NE 69138
Grand Island	Hall County Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 1683, Grand Island, NE 68802
	Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer.....	3133 W. Highway 34, Grand Island, NE 68801
Grant	Perkins County Historical Society and Museum.....	605 Central Ave. P.O. Box 562, Grant, NE 69140
Greeley	Greeley County Historical Society Courthouse Museum.....	P.O. Box 6, Greeley, NE 68842
Greenwood	Greenwood Historical Society Depot Museum.....	440 Broad St., P.O. Box 1, Greenwood, NE 68366
	WWII Library and Museum.....	15102 N. 258 Rd., Greenwood, NE 68366
Harrisburg	Banner County Historical Society.....	200 N. Pennsylvania, P.O. Box 74, Harrisburg, NE 69345
	Agate Fossil Beds National Monument.....	301 River Road, Harrison, NE 69346-2734
Harrison	Sioux County Historical Society and Museum.....	142 Main St., P.O. Box 312, Harrison, NE 69346-0312
	Cedar County Historical Society.....	304 W. Franklin, P.O. Box 181, Hartington, NE 68739
Hartington	Adams County Historical Society.....	1330 N. Burlington Ave., P.O. Box 102, Hastings, NE 68901-0102
Hastings	Hastings Museum of Natural and Cultural History.....	1330 N. Burlington Ave., P.O. Box 1286, Hastings, NE 68901-1286
Henderson	Henderson Heritage and Tourism, Inc. ....	P.O. Box 336, Henderson, NE 68371
Holdrege	National Sod House Society.....	P.O. Box 592, Holdrege, NE 68949

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City	Name	Address
Holdrege (Cont'd.)	Phelps County Historical Society Nebraska Prairie Museum	2701 Burlington St., P.O. Box 164, Holdrege, NE 68949-0164
Howells	Howells Historical Society	124 Marion St., Howells, NE 68641
Humboldt	Quad County Historical and Research Society	1160 Lincoln St., Humboldt, NE 68376
Hyannis	Grant County Historical Society Museum	105 E. Harrison, Hyannis, NE 69350
Imperial	Chase County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 582, Imperial, NE 69033
Indianola	Indianola Historical Society	P.O. Box 338, Indianola, NE 69034
Johnson	The Treasure House, Corvett Park	73203 633rd Ave., Johnson, NE 68578
Kearney	Buffalo County Historical Society - Trails and Rails Museum	710 W. 11th St., P.O. Box 523, Kearney, NE 68847-0523
	Fort Kearny State Historical Park	1020 V Road, Kearney, NE 68847
	The Frank House	2010 W. 24th St., Kearney, NE 68847
	The Great Platte River Road Archway Monument	3060 E. 1st St., Kearney, NE 68847
	Kearney Area Children's Museum	5827 Fourth Ave., Kearney, NE 68847
	Nebaska Firefighters Museum and Education Center	2434 E. First St., Kearney, NE 68847
Kimball	Plains Historical Society	816 E. 3rd St., Kimball, NE 69145
Leigh	House of Yesteryear	South Beech St., P.O. Box 341, Leigh, NE 68643-0341
Lewellen	Ash Hollow State Historic Park	P.O. Box 70, Lewellen, NE 69147
Lexington	Dawson County Historical Society and Museum	805 N. Taft, P.O. Box 369, Lexington, NE 68850-0369
	Heartland Museum of Military Vehicles	606 Heartland Road, Lexington, NE 68850
Lincoln	American Historical Society of Germans from Russia	631 D St., Lincoln, NE 68502-1199
	Office of the Capital Commission	Nebraska State Capitol, P.O. Box 94696, Lincoln, NE 68509-4696
	Fairview - William Jennings Bryan House	4900 Sumner St., Lincoln, NE 68506
	Great Plains Art Museum, Center for Great Plains Studies	1155 Q St., P.O. Box 880214, Lincoln, NE 68588-0250
	Robert Hillestad Textile Gallery	UNL East Campus, 234 Home Economics Building, Lincoln, NE 68583-0802
	International Quilt Study Center and Museum	1523 N. 33rd St., Lincoln, NE 68583
	Thomas P. Kennard House	1627 H St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	Lester F. Larsen Tractor Test and Power Museum	UNL East Campus, 35th and Fair streets, Lincoln, NE 68503
	Lincoln Children's Museum	1420 P St., Lincoln, NE 68508
	Lincoln Children's Zoo	1222 S. 27th St., Lincoln, NE 68502
	Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission	City/County Building, 555 S. 10th St., #210 Lincoln, NE 68508
	Lux Center for the Arts	2601 N. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68504
	Museum of Nebraska History	131 Centennial Mall North, P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	National Museum of Roller Skating	4730 South St., Lincoln, NE 68506-6579
	Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Travel and Tourism Division	
	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission	131 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 98907, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska Humanities Council	2200 N. 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503
	Nebraska National Guard Historical Society Museum	215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 500, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska State Historical Society	1300 Military Road, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation	1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	Preservation Association of Lincoln	Kimman-Oldfield Suite 1010, 128 N. 13th St., Lincoln, NE 68508 c/o Rogers House, 2145 B St., Lincoln, NE 68502

## Nebraska Historical Organizations, 2016 (Cont'd.)

City	Name	Address
Lincoln (Cont'd.)	Sheldon Museum of Art.....	P.O. Box 8803300, Lincoln, NE 68588-0300
	United Church of Christ - Department of History and Archives, Nebraska Conference.....	3151 South St., #R, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska Wesleyan University, 3333 Landmark Circle, Lincoln, NE 68504	
	Nebraska United Methodist Archives and History Center.....	Special Collections Department, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 29 Love Library, P.O. Box 884100, Lincoln, NE 68588-0410
	University Archives.....	
	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Botanical Garden & Arboretum.....	1309 N. 17th St., Lincoln, NE 68588-0609
	University of Nebraska State Museum.....	307 Morrill Hall, Lincoln, NE 68588-0338
	Frank G. Woods Telephone Historical Museum.....	2047 M St., P.O. Box 81309, Lincoln, NE 68501
	Museum of American Speed.....	599 Oak Creek Drive, P.O. Box 81906, Lincoln, NE 68501
Lodgepole.....	Lodgepole Depot Museum.....	722 McCall St., Lodgepole, NE 69149
Long Pine.....	Long Pine Heritage Society - Heritage House Museum.....	199 W. 3rd St., P.O. Box 333, Long Pine, NE 69217
Loop City.....	Sherman County Historical Society and Museum.....	433 S. 7th St., P.O. Box 362, Loop City, NE 68853
Macy.....	Omaha Nation Cultural Preservation Committee.....	P.O. Box 428, Macy, NE 68039-0382
Madison.....	Madison County Historical Society and Museum.....	210 W. 3rd St., P.O. Box 708, Madison, NE 68748-0708
McCook.....	High Plains Historical Society and Museum.....	421 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001
	McCook Army Air Base Historical Society.....	P.O. Box B-29, McCook, NE 69001-3142
	Senator George Norris State Historic Site.....	706 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001-3142
McCool Junction.....	Iron Horse Station.....	505 E. O St., P.O. Box 126, McCool Junction, NE 68401-0126
Merriman.....	Eve Bowring Visitor Center - Bowring Ranch State Historic Park.....	P.O. Box 38, Merriman, NE 69218-0038
Minden.....	Kearney County Historical Society and Historical Museum.....	713 S. Minden Ave., Minden, NE 68959
	Harold Warp Pioneer Village Foundation.....	138 E. Highway 6, Minden, NE 68959
Morrill.....	Village Museum of Morrill.....	215 1/2 Adams, Morrill, NE 69358
Mullen.....	Hooker County Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 312, Mullen, NE 69152-0185
Murdock.....	Murdock Historical Society and Museum.....	9014 310th St., Murdock, NE 68407-2206
Naper.....	Naper Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 72, Naper, NE 68755
Naponee.....	Naponee Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 128, Naponee, NE 68960-0128
Nebraska City.....	Arbor Day Farm.....	2611 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Arbor Lodge State Historical Park.....	2600 Arbor Ave., P.O. Box 15, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Civil War Veterans Museum.....	910 First Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	The Nebraska City Museum of Firefighting.....	1320 Central Ave., P.O. Box 376, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Kregel Windmill Factory Museum.....	1416 Central Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Mayhew Cabin and Historical Village Foundation.....	2012 4th Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410-2604
	Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center.....	100 Valmont Dr., P.O. Box 785, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Nebraska City Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 175, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Nebraska City Museums Association.....	917 Wildwood Lane, Suite F, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	River County Nature Center.....	116 S. 6th St., P.O. Box 435, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Wildwood Center.....	420 Steinhart Park Road, Nebraska City, NE 68410

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City	Name	Address
Neligh.....	Antelope County Historical Society and Museum.....	104 E. 7th St., Neligh, NE 68756
Niobrara.....	Neligh Mill State Historic Site.....	N Street and Wylie Drive, P.O. Box 271, Neligh, NE 68756-0271
	Niobrara Historical Society Museum.....	89054 519 Ave., Niobrara, NE 68760
	Ponca Tribe Museum.....	2548 Park Ave., Niobrara, NE 68760
Norfolk.....	Elkhorn Valley Historical Society Museum and Research Center.....	515 Queen City Blvd., Norfolk, NE 68702
North Platte.....	Buffalo Bill Ranch State Historical Park.....	2921 Scouts Rest Ranch Road, North Platte, NE 69101
	Cody Park Railroad Museum.....	1400 N. Jeffers, North Platte, NE 69101
	Pt. McPherson National Cemetery.....	12004 S. Spur 36A, North Platte, NE 69151
Oakland.....	Lincoln County Historical Society and Museum.....	2403 N. Buffalo Bill Ave., North Platte, NE 69101
Odell.....	Swedish Heritage Center.....	414 N. Osorn Ave., Oakland, NE 68045
Ogallala.....	Old West Trails Center.....	301 Main St., P.O. Box 169, Odell, NE 68415
	Keith County Historical Society - Mansion on the Hill.....	1004 W. 10th St., P.O. Box 5, Ogallala, NE 69153
	Nebraska National Trails Museum Foundation.....	Box 268, Ogallala, NE 69153
Omaha.....	Douglas County Historical Society, Crook House Museum.....	5730 N. 30th St., Omaha, NE 68111-1657
	The Durham Museum.....	801 S. 10th St., Omaha, NE 68108
	El Museo Latino.....	4701 S. 25th St., Omaha, NE 68107
	Florence Historical Foundation.....	P.O. Box 12331, Omaha, NE 68112
	Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center.....	1326 S. 32nd St., Omaha, NE 68105
	Historic Florence Mill.....	5215 Jackson St., Omaha, NE 68106-1331
	Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission.....	1819 Farnham St., Suite 1110, Omaha, NE 68183
	Joslyn Art Museum.....	2200 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68102
	Joslyn Castle Trust, Inc.....	3902 Davenport St., Omaha, NE 68131
	Mexican American Historical Society of the Midlands.....	4913 S. 25th St., Omaha, NE 68107
	Morrison Trail Center at Historic Winter Quarters.....	5215 State St., Omaha, NE 68112
	Nebraska Jewish Historical Society and Riekes Museum.....	333 S. 132nd St., Omaha, NE 68154
	Omaha Children's Museum.....	500 S. 20th St., Omaha, NE 68102
	Omaha's Henry Doodly Zoo and Aquarium.....	3701 S. 10th St., Omaha, NE 68107
	Omaha Home For Boys Visitors Center History Museum.....	4343 N. 52nd St., Omaha, NE 68104-2895
	Servants of Mary Archives.....	7400 Military Ave., Omaha, NE 68134
	Sokol South Omaha Czechoslovak Museum.....	2021 U St., Omaha, NE 68107-3666
	Trinity Cathedral Historical Society.....	113 N. 18th St., Omaha, NE 68102-4969
O'Neill.....	University Archives - University Library.....	University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182
Orchard.....	Holt County Historical Society.....	401 E. Douglas, O'Neill, NE 68763
Ord.....	Orchard Historical Society.....	225 Windom St., P.O. Box 133, Orchard, NE 68764
	Valley County Historical Society and Museum.....	115 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 101, Ord, NE 68862
Orleans.....	Harlan County Museum.....	P.O. Box 187, Orleans, NE 68966
Oscola.....	Polk County Historical Society and Museum.....	Hawkeye Street, P.O. Box 565, Oscola, NE 68651
Oshkosh.....	Historical Society of Garden County.....	P.O. Box 193, Oshkosh, NE 69154
Papillion.....	Papillion Area Historical Society.....	242 N. Jefferson St., Papillion, NE 68046
Pawnee City.....	Pawnee City Historical Society and Museum.....	East Highway 8, P.O. Box 33, Pawnee City, NE 68420
Pender.....	Thurston County Heritage Museum.....	500 Van St., P.O. Box 624, Pender, NE 68047-0624



## Nebraska Historical Organizations, 2016 (Cont'd.)

City	Name	Address
Peru	Peru Historical Foundation and Museum	P.O. Box 243, Peru, NE 68421
Pierce	Pierce Historical Society and The Pierce Museum	P.O. Box 122, Pierce, NE 68767-0122
Plainview	Plainview Historical Society	302 S. Main, P.O. Box 495, Plainview, NE 68769
Plattsmouth	Cass County Historical Society and Museum	646 Main St., Plattsmouth, NE 68048
	Plattsmouth Conservancy	437-1 Main St., Plattsmouth, NE 68048
Ponca	Ponca Historical Society	P.O. Box 403, Ponca, NE 68770
Potter	Potter Historical Museum	7908 Road 32, Potter, NE 69156
Ravenna	Historical Society of Ravenna	210 Grand Ave., P.O. Box 33, Ravenna, NE 68869
Red Cloud	Webster County Historical Museum	721 W. Fourth St., P.O. Box 464, Red Cloud, NE 68970
	Willia Cather State Historic Site	413 N. Webster St., Red Cloud, NE 68970
Royal	Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park	86930 517 Ave., Royal, NE 68773
Schuyler	Schuyler Historical Society	309 East 11th St., Schuyler, NE 68661
Scribner	Musbach Museum of Scribner	P.O. Box 136, Scribner, NE 68057-0136
Seward	Nebraska National Guard Museum	201 N. 8th, Seward, NE 68434
	Seward County Historical Society and Museum	1500 Main St., Seward, NE 68434
Shelton	Shelton Historical Society	P.O. Box 444, Shelton, NE 68876
Sidney	Cheyenne County Historical Association	P.O. Box 396, Sidney, NE 69162
Springview	Keya Paha County Historical Society and Museum	305 Courthouse Drive, P.O. Box 334, Springview, NE 68778
St. Paul	Howard County Historical Society	P.O. Box 1, St. Paul, NE 68873
	Museum of Major League Baseball	619 Howard Ave., St. Paul, NE 68873
Stanton	Historical Society of Stanton County, Inc.	P.O. Box 934, Stanton, NE 68779-0234
Steinauer	Steinauer Heritage House	602 Main St., Steinauer, NE 68441
Stratton	Little House Museum, Inc.	908 Hartford St., P.O. Box 207, Stratton, NE 69043
Stuart	White Horse Heritage Village Museum	46376 879th Road, Stuart, NE 68780
Superior	Nuckolls County Historical Society and Museum	612 E. Sixth St., Superior, NE 68978
Sutton	Sutton Historical Society	P.O. Box 92, Sutton, NE 68979
Syracuse	Otoc County Museum Society	366 Poplar, P.O. Box 58, Syracuse, NE 68446
Table Rock	Table Rock Historical Society and Museums	P.O. Box 194, Table Rock, NE 68447
Tarnov	St. Michael's Historical Society	309 Third Street, Suite 1, Tarnov, NE 68642
Taylor	Loup County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 137, Taylor, NE 68879
Tecumseh	Johnson County Museum	231 Lincoln St., Tecumseh, NE 68450
Tekamah	Burt County Museum	319 N. 13th St., P.O. Box 125, Tekamah, NE 68061-0125
Theftord	Thomas County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 224, Theftord, NE 69166
Tobias	Saline County Historical Society and Museum	561 County Road S, Tobias, NE 68453
Trenton	Hitchcock County Historical Society and Museum	313 E. First St., P.O. Box 511, Trenton, NE 69044-0511
Tryon	McPherson County Historical Society	36210 Muldecker Road, Tryon, NE 69167
Valentine	Cherry County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 284, Valentine, NE 69201
Valley	Valley Community Historical Museum	218 W. Alexander, Valley, NE 68064
Verdigris	Verdigris Heritage Museum Complex	87919 514th Ave., Verdigris, NE 68783
Wahoo	Saunders County Historical Society and Museum	240 N. Walnut, Wahoo, NE 68066

Nebraska Historical Organizations, 2016 (Cont'd.)

City	Name	Address
Wakefield	Wakefield Heritage Organization	206 W. Third, Wakefield, NE 68784
Walthill	Susan LaFlesche Picotte Center	505 Matthewson St., P.O. Box 395, Walthill, NE 68067-0395
Wayne	Wayne County Historical Society and Museum	702 Lincoln St., P.O. Box 83, Wayne, NE 68787
Weeping Water	Weeping Water Historical Society and Heritage House Museum Complex	215 W. Eldora St., P.O. Box 43, Weeping Water, NE 68463
Wellfleet	Dancing Leaf Earth Lodge	6100 E. Opal Springs Road, Wellfleet, NE 69170
West Point	Cuming County Historical Society and Museum	130 North River, West Point, NE 68788
Wilber	Czech Heritage Room	419 W. Third St., P.O. Box 803, Wilber, NE 68465
Winnnebago	Wilber Czech Museum	102 W. Third St., P.O. Box 7, Wilber, NE 68465-0253
Winnetoan	Angel DeCora Museum and Research Center	601 East College Drive, P.O. Box 687, Winnebago, NE 68071
Winnetoan	Winnetoan Historical Society	P.O. Box 94, Winnetoan, NE 68789
Wisner	Wisner Heritage Museum Society	920 Avenue E, P.O. Box 842, Wisner, NE 68791
Wymore	Great Plains Welsh Heritage Center	307 S. Seventh St., P.O. Box 253, Wymore, NE 68466
Wymore	Wymore Train Station Museum	116 S. 7th St., Wymore, NE 68466
York	Anna Bernis Palmer Museum	211 E. Seventh St., York, NE 68467
York	York County Historical Association	2320 Nebraska Ave., P.O. Box 81, York, NE 68467-0081
	Wessels Living History Farm	5520 S. Lincoln Ave., York, NE 68467
Yutan	Yutan Historical Society	744 County Road N., Yutan, NE 68073

## Commission on Indian Affairs

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94981, Lincoln, NE 68509-4981, phone (402) 471-3475, fax (402) 471-3392, website — [www.indianaffairs.state.ne.us](http://www.indianaffairs.state.ne.us)

**Executive Director:** Judi M. gaishkibos

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2501

The Commission on Indian Affairs, established in 1971, monitors legislation and coordinates activities among tribes, organizations and state and federal agencies. Its members serve to promote Indian rights and address problems common to Nebraska Indians.

The commission consists of 14 American Indians living in Nebraska appointed by the governor to four-year terms. Members come from the following reservations, cities or districts: two from the Omaha Tribal reservation; two from the Winnebago Tribal reservation; two from the Santee Sioux Tribal reservation; two from the Ponca Tribe; one from Lincoln; two from Omaha; one from the district that includes Box Butte, Dawes, Sheridan and Sioux counties; one from the district that includes Banner, Cheyenne, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill and Scotts Bluff counties; and an at-large member.

The governor selects each appointee from nominees submitted by the tribe or area to be represented. The commission also may have nonvoting, ex officio members, appointed by the commission, who do not have to be Indian.

The commission meets four times a year. Members are paid \$50 a day when conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission hires and sets the pay of an executive director. The director is a Nebraska Indian tribal member or Nebraska resident of Indian descent.

Member	Represents
Jennifer Bear Eagle, Chadron.....	Northern Panhandle
Gabe Bruguier, Lincoln.....	City of Lincoln
Robert Campbell, Niobrara.....	Santee Sioux Tribe
Lucas LaRose, Omaha.....	City of Omaha
Kenneth Mallory, Winnebago.....	Winnebago Tribe
Andrea Miller, Scottsbluff.....	Southern Panhandle
Dr. Rudi Mitchell, Omaha.....	City of Omaha
Stewart Redwing, Bloomfield.....	Santee Sioux Tribe
Curtis St. Cyr, Winnebago.....	Winnebago Tribe
Alex Taylor, Battle Creek.....	Ponca Tribe
Jessica Webster-Valentino, Walthill.....	Omaha Tribe
Darren Wolfe, Macy.....	Omaha Tribe
Larry Wright, Jr., Lincoln.....	Ponca Tribe
Vacant.....	At Large

Nebraska Tribal Councils<sup>9</sup>

*Omaha Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** P.O. Box 368, Macy, NE 68039, phone (402) 837-5391, fax (402) 837-5308

Member	Position
Orville Cayou.....	Vice Chairman
Alan Harlan.....	Treasurer
Jeffery S. Miller.....	Member
Rodney Morris.....	Member
Jessica Webster-Valentino.....	Member
Clifford Wolfe, Jr. ....	Secretary
Michael Wolfe.....	Chairman

*Ponca Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Headquarters:** P.O. Box 288, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 857-3391, fax (402) 857-3736

Member	Position
Judy Allen.....	Member
Candace Bossard.....	Secretary
Crystal Howell.....	Member
Patrick Lamoureux.....	Vice Chairman
James LaPointe.....	Treasurer
Stephanie Slobotski.....	Member
Alex Taylor.....	Member
Phillip Wendzillo.....	Member
Larry Wright, Jr. ....	Chairman

*Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** 425 Frazier Ave. N., Suite 2, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 857-2302, fax (402) 857-2307

Member	Position
Darlene Bluebird.....	Member
Marion Brandt.....	Member
David Henry.....	Vice Chairman
Devin Henry.....	Member
John Johnson.....	Member
Derek LaPointe.....	Treasurer
Stuart Redwing.....	Secretary
Roger Trudell.....	Chairman

<sup>9</sup> Source: Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs. For more information on tribal government in Nebraska, see Pages 57 and 149-150.

*Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** P.O. Box 687, Winnebago, NE 68071, phone (402) 878-2272, fax (402) 878-2963

Member	Position
Vince Bass .....	Vice Chairman
Coly Brown .....	Member
Victoria Kitcheyan .....	Secretary
Darla LaPointe.....	Member
Kenny Mallory.....	Member
Curtis St. Cyr.....	Member
Isaac Smith .....	Member
James Snow .....	Member
Frank White .....	Chairman

## Commission of Industrial Relations

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94864, Lincoln, NE 68509-4864, phone (402) 471-2934, fax (402) 471-6597, email address — industrial.relations@nebraska.gov, website — ncir.nebraska.gov

**Clerk/Administrator:** Annette Hord

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article XV, Section 9; and 48-803

The Court of Industrial Relations, created by the 1947 Legislature under authority provided in the Nebraska Constitution, has jurisdiction over public utility and state and local government employee labor disputes. The court's powers were expanded in 1969 to give it jurisdiction over all public employees, and the number of judges was increased from three to five.

The 1979 Legislature changed the name from “court” to “commission.” The commission has powers of special impasse and representation and the power to resolve prohibitive practices. In 2007, the Legislature passed LB472, which changed the member's title from “judge” to “commissioner.”

In 2011, the Legislature passed LB397, a compromise that codified many of the standards that have been used in determining comparability for purposes of wages and benefits. The bill also set statutory deadlines in some situations and mandated that an Hourly Rate Value be applied to health and pension benefits.

Nebraska public employees, except the Nebraska National Guard or state militia, can be represented by employee organizations of their own choice and can negotiate collectively with their employers to determine the terms and conditions of employment. However, the employees cannot strike. When any industrial dispute exists, an employer, employee or labor organization, or the attorney general (on his or her own or by order of the governor) may file a petition with the commission invoking its jurisdiction. The commission:

- determines if a prohibited practice has occurred
- determines who represents employees during collective bargaining
- resolves disputes by establishing pay rates and employment conditions comparable

to the standards set for similar work

- orders good-faith bargaining, mediation or fact finding, and appoints people to carry this out. The commission’s final orders may be appealed to the Nebraska Court of Appeals.

The commission has five members appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. Commissioners must represent the public and be appointed based on their knowledge and experience in legal, financial, labor and industrial matters. Commission members are paid \$475 a day when conducting commission business. On July 1 of every odd-numbered year, commissioners elect a presiding commissioner for a two-year term. The presiding commissioner appoints the clerk of the commission.

Member	Term Expires
William G. Blake, Lincoln .....	June 9, 2021
Joel E. Carlson, Norfolk .....	Jan. 23, 2018
David J. Partsch, Nebraska City .....	June 9, 2019
Sarah S. Pillen, Columbus .....	Jan. 23, 2018
J.L. Spray, Lincoln (Presiding Commissioner) .....	June 9, 2017

## Nebraska Investment Council

**Office Address:** 1526 K St., Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2043, fax (402) 471-2498, website — [www.nic.ne.gov](http://www.nic.ne.gov)

**State Investment Officer:** Michael Walden-Newman

**Statutory Reference:** 72-1237

The Nebraska Investment Council was established under 1967 and 1969 laws as a central state investment agency. The council provides investment management services for the state. Most provisions governing its activities are contained in the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act and the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act (statutory reference: 71-1237 through 72-1269).

The agency is governed by a seven-member council. Five voting members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature. They serve five-year terms, with one expiring each year. The state treasurer and the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Systems<sup>10</sup> serve as nonvoting members.

The council establishes necessary and proper policies for the investment of the funds for which it is responsible. Such policies include appropriate investment strategy decisions, selection of external managers and allocation of funds among managers. The council appoints a state investment officer, subject to the approval of the governor and the Legislature. The state investment officer, with the assistance of the agency staff, directs the investment of these funds in accordance with state statutes and the policies of the council.

Funds managed include the state’s general and cash funds; retirement plans for the State Patrol, judges, and teachers (with the exception of Omaha); and trust funds such as the Permanent School Fund, the Veterans’ Aid Fund and the Health Care Trust Fund. The council also is responsible for investing the state employees’ and county

<sup>10</sup> For more information on the Public Employees Retirement Systems, see Pages 693-696.

employees' retirement systems funds, the deferred compensation plan assets and funds of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust.

In 2015, assets under the responsibility of the council totaled over \$21 billion. During the past five years, investment earnings have averaged over \$1 billion annually.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
John H. Conley, Omaha .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Richard DeFusco, Lincoln .....	Dec. 31, 2016
John M. Dinkel, Norfolk .....	Dec. 31, 2019
Keith Olson, Omaha .....	Dec. 31, 2020
Gail Werner-Robertson, Omaha (Chairperson) .....	Dec. 31, 2018
Phyllis Chambers, Lincoln (Public Employees Retirement Systems) .....	Ex Officio
Don Stenberg, Lincoln (State Treasurer) .....	Ex Officio

## State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors

**Office Address:** 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE 68505, phone (402) 471-2566, website — [www.nbels.nebraska.gov](http://www.nbels.nebraska.gov)

**Secretary:** Steven C. Cobb

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,110

The 1957 Legislature created the State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors. The law provided for the director-state engineer, state surveyor and dean of the University of Nebraska's College of Engineering to serve as an ex officio board. The state surveyor was the board's ex officio secretary.

The 1971 Legislature established the independent State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors. The board tests and interviews people applying to be registered land surveyors. The board also can revoke registration to conform with the law. The board is financed through registration fees, which are handled by the board's secretary.

The board has five members who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Four members must be registered land surveyors who have lived in Nebraska for at least one year and have been practicing surveyors for 10 years. At least five years must have been spent in charge of surveying work. One board member, who is at least 21 years old and a Nebraska resident for at least one year, represents the public. The state surveyor serves as ex officio secretary of the board and any committees board members appoint.

The board meets four or five times each year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jerry G. Hain, Wahoo .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Richard L. Hansen, Blair .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2018
James W. Hawks, North Platte .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2020
Mary Pro, Lincoln .....	Public .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Dennis L. Whitfield, Bellevue .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2017
Steven C. Cobb, Lincoln .....	State Surveyor .....	Ex Officio Secretary

State Board of Landscape Architects

**Office Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Ste. 400, P.O. Box 95165, Lincoln, NE 68508-5165, phone (402) 471-2407, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — nsbla.board@nebraska.gov, website — www.nsbla.nebraska.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,186

The 1967 Legislature passed the Professional Landscape Architects Act, which created the State Board of Landscape Architects. The act charges the board with protecting the life, health and property of Nebraska citizens by ensuring the licensure of landscape architects in the state. The board accomplishes this through the licensure of individuals who have met the education, examination and experience requirements of the act and by providing compliance oversight and regulatory services.

The board has six members appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Five members must be professional landscape architects. The other member must be at least 21 years old and represents the public. All members must be Nebraska residents for at least one year immediately preceding their appointments.

The board meets at least once a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Eileen E. Bergt, Lincoln.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2018
Dennis E. Bryers, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2017
Eric Casper, Lincoln.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2021
David J. Ciaccio, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2019
Todd M. Maiellaro, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect .....	Sept. 23, 2020
Gayle M. Malmquist, LaVista.....	Public.....	Sept. 23, 2019

Commission on Latino-Americans

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94965, Lincoln, NE 68509-4965, toll-free phone (877) 220-1250, phone (402) 471-2791, website — www.latinoac.nebraska.gov

**Executive Director:** Lazaro A. Spindola

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,262

**Publications:** quarterly newsletter

The Commission on Latino-Americans was created in 1972, and was originally known as the Commission on Mexican-Americans. The 2010 Legislature changed the name with passage of LB139. The commission serves as a link between Nebraska state government and the Latino population. The commission works with public, private and state agencies to serve the needs of Nebraska’s Latino Americans on issues such as access to education, housing and health care as well as social, political and economic opportunities.

The commission has nine members, appointed by the governor to three-year terms. The governor or the governor’s designee serves as an ex officio member. The commission appoints an executive director.

The commission meets quarterly. Members are paid \$35 a day while conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.



<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Daniel Castillo, Lincoln.....	May 15, 2018
Norma de la O, South Sioux City.....	May 15, 2017
Jack Gutierrez, Columbus.....	May 15, 2016
Chabella Guzman, Scottsbluff.....	May 15, 2018
Aida Olivas, Hastings.....	May 15, 2017
Ramon Otero, Cairo.....	May 15, 2016
Leticia Rodriguez, Madison.....	May 15, 2018
Adrian Sanchez, Lincoln.....	May 15, 2017
Maria A. Valentin, Papillion.....	May 15, 2016
Deyanira Salgado, Lincoln (Governor's Representative).....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Library Commission<sup>11</sup>

**Office Address:** The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508-2023, phone (402) 471-2045, toll-free phone (800) 307-2665, fax (402) 471-2083, email address — nlc.ask@nebraska.gov, website — nlc.nebraska.gov

**Director:** Rod Wagner

**Statutory Reference:** 51-401

Established in 1901, the Nebraska Library Commission promotes, develops and coordinates library and information programs and services statewide. As the state library agency, the commission serves as an advocate for the library and information service needs of Nebraskans. The commission:

- makes rules and regulations to govern itself
- appoints a director authorized to hire staff as needed
- receives and disburses federal funds
- accepts and administers gifts
- makes a biennial report to the governor
- provides leadership, technical help and financial support for improvement of library and information services through the state's libraries
- develops, coordinates and promotes specialized statewide library and information services
- provides information and library services to state government

The commission's six members are appointed by the governor to three-year terms, with members serving no more than two consecutive terms. Commissioners appoint the agency director. Members generally are appointed from each of the state's six areas. Commissioners, who meet every other month, are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Debby Whitehill Bloom, Omaha.....	June 2018
Molly Fisher, Lincoln.....	June 2018
Michael LaCroix, Omaha.....	June 2019
Charles (Chuck) Peek, Kearney.....	June 2019
Susan Warneke, Norfolk.....	June 2018
Sandy White, Sidney.....	June 2019

<sup>11</sup> For additional information on Nebraska libraries, see Pages 52 and 916-922.

### *Information and Resource Sharing Services*

Nebraska libraries were among the nation's first to develop workable methods for resource sharing. The commission continues this legacy by:

- providing reference, research, consultation and interlibrary loan services to the staff of public, school and special libraries and state government agencies
- providing access to the VHS and DVD collection of the Nebraska Humanities Council
- providing assistance and resources in public administration, library operations, librarianship and collection management for staff of all types of libraries and state agencies
- providing government information services through the Nebraska Publications Clearinghouse Service (statutory reference: 51-412). Services include direct loan of more than 172,000 Nebraska documents and more than 47,000 federal government publications, convenient public access to electronic state government publications and reference services in person or via email, telephone and internet chat. The Library Commission participates in the Federal Depository Library Program and operates a Nebraska depository library program. Key state publications are accessible electronically or on microfiche via the Nebraska State Publications website and through depository libraries.
- providing NebraskaAccess: free 24/7 access to websites selected by librarians, full-text government publications and Nebraska historical resources. Nebraska residents also are provided with free online access to thousands of full-text magazine, journal and newspaper articles, biographical and business information, genealogical resources and more.
- providing access to a worldwide database of billions of books, CDs, DVDs and other materials including more than 14 million holdings in 89 public, academic, school and special libraries in Nebraska. These materials may be requested by libraries through Online Computer Library Center Inc. (OCLC) in Dublin, Ohio, either directly or through the Nebraska Library Commission Reference/Information Services.
- providing Nebraska Memories, a cooperative project to digitize Nebraska related historical and cultural heritage materials and make them available to researchers of all ages via the Internet
- providing group purchasing options to assist Nebraska libraries in offering downloadable Ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, music and other materials to Nebraska residents

### *Library Development Services*

Library Development Services provide coordination and support services to Nebraska libraries and media centers and work with local libraries, institutions, boards and citizen groups to develop improved library services and facilities. For Nebraska library employees or library trustees, Library Development provides:

- training and continuing education programs
- consultation and information regarding library services and issues
- financial grants and aid
- support of regional library systems, providing consulting and continuing education, resource sharing services and library technology support
- statistical data regarding Nebraska libraries and library services

- accreditation of public and institutional libraries and certification of librarians and boards of trustees
- a statewide summer reading program and other support for children and young adult services
- library improvement through community-based library planning and evaluation

### *Talking Book and Braille Service*

The Talking Book and Braille Service offers statewide library service to Nebraskans who experience visual or other physical conditions that limit their use of regular print materials. To provide the same access to informational and recreational reading enjoyed by other Nebraskans, the Talking Book and Braille Service offers books and magazines on digital cartridge or embossed in Braille. The commission circulates talking books and special equipment to play talking books provided by the Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. This includes approximately 50,000 fiction and nonfiction titles in 94,000 copies. Readers also can download 83,000 audio and Braille books and magazines directly from a website hosted by the Library of Congress.

Most Nebraskans receive and return talking books and Braille materials (postage-free) through the U.S. Postal Service. Persons who live in or travel to Lincoln also borrow and return materials in person. Other services offered on site include sample magazines in recorded and Braille formats and children's books in twin vision — print, illustrations and Braille in each single volume. Descriptive videos also are circulated. These videos provide narrated descriptions of the key visual elements (actions, settings, characters and costumes) without interfering with the soundtrack or dialogue of a program or movies.

The Adaptive Technology Center offers a public access computer featuring Braille translation and embossing, a sticky-key keyboard option and adaptive keyboards and adaptive mouse. The Library records 24 magazines and newsletters supplementing the national talking magazine program, records Nebraska and regional books and produces audio materials for state and community service agencies.

## **Nebraska Liquor Control Commission**

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 95046, Lincoln, NE 68509-5046, phone (402) 471-2571, fax (402) 471-2814, website — [www.lcc.ne.gov/](http://www.lcc.ne.gov/)

**Executive Director:** Hobert B. Rupe

**Statutory Reference:** 53-105

**Publications:** law book, including rules and regulations; brochures

Created by the 1935 Legislature, the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission:

- receives applications for and issues, suspends, cancels and revokes licenses of manufacturers, distributors, nonbeverage users, retailers, railroads, airlines and boats
- sets standards through rules and regulations for enforcing the Nebraska Liquor Control Act to promote public health and welfare
- asks other administrative departments from all levels of government in the state, as well as law enforcement officials throughout the state, for information and assistance

as necessary

- recommends rules and regulations to local government for the distribution or sale of alcoholic liquors in the state
- inspects places where liquors are manufactured, distributed or sold
- conducts audits of licensees
- conducts hearings to carry out its duties
- investigates the administration of alcoholic liquor laws in Nebraska and other states, and recommends Nebraska Liquor Control Act amendments to the governor and the Legislature
- receives and accounts for all Nebraska Liquor Control Act license fees and liquor excise taxes that are turned over to the state treasurer
- provides law books and other printed material to licensees

The commission has three members appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. No more than two members can be in the same political party. Members come from the state's congressional districts. The commission, with the approval of the governor, appoints an executive director who keeps records of commission business. Commission employees are hired with the governor's approval. The commission meets at least once a month. Each member is paid \$12,500 a year and is reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Bruce D. Bailey, Lincoln (R) <sup>12</sup> .....	District 1 .....	May 24, 2017
Robert Batt, Omaha (I) .....	District 2 .....	May 24, 2019
Janice Wiebusch, Kearney (R) .....	District 3 .....	May 24, 2021

Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94697, Lincoln, NE 68509-4697, phone (402) 471-2148, fax (402) 471-4563, website — mvdealerbd.ne.gov

**Executive Director:** William S. Jackson

**Statutory Reference:** 60-1402

The Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board was created in 1957 and amended over the years to enforce motor vehicle, motorcycle, mobile home and travel trailer industry licensee standards, and to protect the public from dishonest licensee practices. The board issues licenses, establishes license fees for each class, prescribes license forms and investigates licensees' actions upon a sworn written complaint. The board also regulates the issuance and revocation of licenses. The board has the power to revoke or suspend a license or levy an administrative fine not to exceed \$5,000 per violation.

The board has nine governor-appointed members, who serve three-year terms, and the director of motor vehicles is the board's chairperson. Appointed members must get legislative approval. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

<sup>12</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

Board members include:

- a factory representative
- a member representing the public
- a licensed new motor vehicle dealer from each congressional district
- two licensed used motor vehicle dealers from different congressional districts
- one trailer dealer or combination motor vehicle or trailer dealer
- a licensed motorcycle dealer

Members are paid \$50 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
William Ashburn, Lincoln .....	Public Representative.....	May 18, 2019
Stephan Budke, North Platte .....	Motorcycle Dealer.....	May 18, 2019
Dean Cerny, Columbus .....	Used Car Dealer, District 3.....	May 18, 2017
Donald F. Hansen, Omaha.....	Trailer Dealer .....	May 18, 2017
Joe Kosiski, Omaha .....	Used Car Dealer, District 2.....	May 18, 2018
Rick Pearson, Hartington.....	New Car Dealer, District 3 .....	May 18, 2018
Angela Quinn, Omaha .....	New Car Dealer, District 2 .....	May 18, 2017
Lori Scherer, Snyder.....	Manufacturer Representative.....	May 18, 2018
Dennis R. Schworer, Bellevue .....	New Car Dealer, District 1 .....	May 18, 2019
Rhonda Lahm, Lincoln (Chairperson).....	Director of Motor Vehicles .....	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

**Office Address:** 922 Illinois St., P.O. Box 399, Sidney, NE 69162-0399, phone (308) 254-6919, fax (308) 254-6922, website — [www.nogcc.ne.gov](http://www.nogcc.ne.gov)

**Director:** William H. Sydow

**Statutory Reference:** 57-904

The Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was created in 1959 to curb wasteful practices in oil and gas production. The commission:

- encourages and promotes the development, production and use of oil and gas in the state to prevent waste
- provides for operation and development of oil and gas properties to permit recovery of the most oil and gas possible while protecting owners' rights
- encourages and authorizes cycling, recycling, pressure maintenance and secondary recovery operations to obtain maximum oil and gas economic recovery in the state
- conducts hearings to devise and adopt programs aimed at accomplishing the duties listed above

The commission's operation cost is paid by an oil and gas production levy, various fees and a federal grant.

The commission has three members appointed by the governor to four-year terms with legislative approval. At least one member must have oil and gas production experience and must have lived in Nebraska for at least a year. The other members must have lived in Nebraska for at least three years. The state geological survey director serves as the commission's technical adviser.

The commission may meet monthly. Members are paid \$50 per day when conduct-

ing commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission hires a director and fixes his or her salary. The director administers and enforces the Oil and Gas Conservation Law of 1959 and all rules, regulations and orders promulgated by the commission. The director must be a qualified petroleum engineer with at least three years of actual field experience in the drilling and operation of oil and gas wells. The director acts as the commission’s secretary and keeps its minutes and records. The director serves an indefinite term at the commission’s pleasure.

Member	Term Expires
Robert P. Goodwin, Sidney .....	Sept. 28, 2017
Thomas D. Oliver, Bridgeport.....	Sept. 28, 2017
John A. Rundel, Trenton.....	Sept. 28, 2019

*Oil and Gas Development in Nebraska*

Oil was discovered in Richardson County in 1939; in the Denver-Julesburg Basin in Cheyenne County in 1949; and on the Cambridge Arch of Red Willow County in 1956. Twenty of Nebraska’s 93 counties produce oil or natural gas. Nebraska’s crude oil is primarily transported to market by trucks. Natural gas is produced in the Panhandle and southwestern Nebraska, with Cheyenne County as the leading producer.

A total of 20,228 tests had been drilled in Nebraska by December 31, 2015, with 1,437 oil wells and 141 gas wells operating. There are 403 active Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) injection wells in 116 secondary recovery projects, and 129 Salt Water Disposal (SWD) wells are in operation. The injection wells are regulated by the commission pursuant to a primacy agreement between the State of Nebraska and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. A total of 581 wells currently are inactive and an additional 108 have been approved for plugging and abandonment.

Since 2009, both the southwestern and southeastern portions of Nebraska have experienced a resurgence in exploration due to the application of three-dimensional seismic technology. In 2015 the industry discovered 22 new fields with 20 discovery wells drilled in southwest Nebraska.

Oil production declined slightly due to the price collapse of 2014, which caused wells to become uneconomic at current prices. During 2015, 32 percent of the state’s oil production came from secondary recovery operations. Nearly 60 percent of the state’s 2015 oil volume came from wells that produce less than 10 barrels of oil per day.

Severance taxes are levied on the value of resources severed at the rate of 3 percent of the value of oil and natural gas, except for oil from wells that produce 10 or fewer barrels of crude oil per day. These wells are subject to a 2 percent severance tax. Severance taxes from oil and gas sales go to the Permanent School Fund. A conservation tax, currently 12 mills (1.2 cents), is levied on sales values and is used to fund the commission. The maximum mill levy is 15 mills per dollar.

**Annual Oil Production in Nebraska, 1956-2015\***

Year	Barrels	Year	Barrels
1956.....	16,560,987	1986.....	7,097,633
1957.....	19,627,424	1987.....	6,090,931
1958.....	20,366,954	1988.....	5,978,429
1959.....	23,021,366	1989.....	6,231,544
1960.....	23,786,789	1990.....	5,889,722
1961.....	24,339,769	1991.....	5,832,115
1962.....	24,893,777	1992.....	5,474,188
1963.....	21,834,633	1993.....	4,867,379
1964.....	19,113,662	1994.....	4,217,322
1965.....	17,213,786	1995.....	3,793,883
1966.....	13,850,367	1996.....	3,543,110
1967.....	13,372,591	1997.....	3,336,834
1968.....	13,183,023	1998.....	3,173,939
1969.....	12,105,728	1999.....	2,661,235
1970.....	11,451,062	2000.....	2,954,775
1971.....	10,061,690	2001.....	2,921,771
1972.....	8,705,122	2002.....	2,778,858
1973.....	7,240,309	2003.....	2,754,775
1974.....	6,610,595	2004.....	2,507,218
1975.....	6,119,671	2005.....	2,413,452
1976.....	6,181,500	2006.....	2,312,955
1977.....	5,968,452	2007.....	2,331,903
1978.....	5,862,277	2008.....	2,393,505
1979.....	6,068,019	2009.....	2,238,846
1980.....	6,239,652	2010.....	2,207,440
1981.....	6,671,313	2011.....	2,503,888
1982.....	6,872,204	2012.....	2,513,396
1983.....	6,386,417	2013.....	2,778,396
1984.....	6,469,723	2014.....	2,842,635
1985.....	6,942,502	2015.....	2,697,022

**Annual Natural Gas Production in Nebraska,  
1956-2015<sup>1</sup>**

Year	Thousand Cubic Feet	Year	Thousand Cubic Feet
1956.....	14,543,124	1986.....	1,403,485
1957.....	15,041,526	1987.....	1,260,540
1958.....	17,506,041	1988.....	910,468
1959.....	18,243,908	1989.....	878,517
1960.....	18,265,891	1990.....	793,142
1961.....	16,385,851	1991.....	783,503
1962.....	14,644,383	1992.....	485,736
1963.....	12,909,175	1993.....	1,390,830
1964.....	9,303,744	1994.....	2,093,150
1965.....	11,736,024	1995.....	1,556,850
1966.....	11,097,598	1996.....	1,144,018
1967.....	9,884,224	1997.....	1,327,581
1968.....	9,146,108	1998.....	1,220,126
1969.....	6,989,419	1999.....	1,040,398
1970.....	6,184,845	2000.....	869,023
1971.....	4,955,127	2001.....	887,289
1972.....	4,646,995	2002.....	904,439
1973.....	4,579,029	2003.....	1,182,582
1974.....	4,583,565	2004.....	1,244,633
1975.....	3,884,635	2005.....	972,875
1976.....	5,200,394 <sup>2</sup>	2006.....	1,032,700
1977.....	2,792,880	2007.....	1,397,421
1978.....	2,882,045	2008.....	2,829,574
1979.....	3,224,877	2009.....	2,716,998
1980.....	2,501,276	2010.....	2,095,542
1981.....	2,712,781	2011.....	1,859,080
1982.....	2,279,799	2012.....	1,220,867
1983.....	2,091,328	2013.....	868,248
1984.....	2,300,268	2014.....	323,229
1985.....	1,944,569	2015.....	375,328

\*Source: Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Annual oil production statistics from 1939-1955 are listed in the *2000-01 Nebraska Blue Book*.

<sup>1</sup>Total includes 1,957,575 MCF transferred to Big Springs Gas Shortage Unit for cushion gas.

Board of Parole

**Office Address:** Correctional Services Building, Folsom and West Prospector Place, Building 1, P.O. Box 94754, Lincoln, NE 68509-4754, phone (402) 471-2156, fax (402) 471-2453, website — [www.parole.nebraska.gov](http://www.parole.nebraska.gov)

**Chairperson:** Rosalyn Cotton

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; and 83-188

The Board of Parole was created as an independent agency by constitutional amendment in 1968.

The board reviews the status of committed offenders; determines when committed offenders are released on parole; fixes parole conditions, and may revoke parole and issue warrants to arrest parole violators; visits and inspects state and local prisons or jails; and recommends parole legislation to the governor.

The board meets daily to hear and review parole cases. If an offender is granted parole, he or she is referred to the Parole Administration Office within the Department of Correctional Services to find an approved home and job. A parole administrator, approved by the Board of Parole, manages the Parole Administration Office.

If requested, the board advises the Board of Pardons<sup>13</sup> — composed of the governor, attorney general and secretary of state — on the merits of any application for remission, respite, reprieve, pardon or commutation. This advice is not binding.

The board has five, full-time members appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. By law, board members must be of good character and just temperament. At least one board member must be a minority, and one must have a professional background in corrections. The governor designates one board member as chairperson.

Member	Term Expires
Teresa L. Bittinger, Beaver Crossing.....	Sept. 9, 2019
Rosalyn Cotton, Omaha (Chairperson).....	Sept. 9, 2020
Virgil J. Patlan, Sr., Omaha.....	Sept. 9, 2021
Randall L. Rehmeier, Nebraska City.....	Sept. 9, 2017
Rex Richard, Lincoln (Vice Chairperson).....	Sept. 9, 2018

Board of Parole Statistics, July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016<sup>14</sup>

(Nebraska State Penitentiary, Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility, Nebraska Correctional Center for Women, Lincoln Correctional Center, Lincoln Community Corrections Center, Omaha Correctional Center, Omaha Community Corrections Center, Tecumseh State Correctional Institution, Diagnostic and Evaluation Center, Work Ethic Camp)

Discharges from Parole.....	1,119
Offenders Reviewed.....	4,737
Parole Hearings Held.....	2,105
Paroles Granted.....	1,461
Paroles Violated and Revoked.....	372

<sup>13</sup> For more information about the Board of Pardons, see Page 729.

<sup>14</sup> Source: Nebraska Board of Parole.



## Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

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**Executive Director:** Dr. Michael Baumgartner

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 14; and 85-1403

Originally created by the 1976 Legislature, the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education was given constitutional authority by Nebraska voters in the 1990 general election to coordinate the activities of Nebraska's public postsecondary institutions. The commission assumed this power on Jan. 1, 1992.

The commission was given constitutional responsibility to review and approve or disapprove instructional programs at all of the state's public postsecondary institutions, to review these institutions' budgets and modify them or recommend modification to the Legislature or governor, and to review and approve or disapprove capital construction projects.

The commission also was directed by the constitution to complete the state's first Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education. The commission completed and approved this document in June 1992, and it has been revised as needed since that time.

In addition, the commission has statutory responsibility to:

- administer the state's financial aid programs
- administer the federal Improving Teacher Quality College Grant programs
- administer the state's Community College Gap Assistance program
- approve or disapprove applications from out-of-state institutions wishing to operate in Nebraska
- conduct research and publish reports on higher education issues

The commission's purpose is to be a coordinating body that works closely with public and private institutions in the state. The commission also cooperates with leadership in elementary and secondary schools, as well as with business representatives, local community leaders, state leaders and others interested in the future of postsecondary education in the state.

The commission's 11 members are appointed by the governor, subject to legislative approval. One member is chosen from each of the six state Supreme Court districts, and five others are chosen at large. Members serve six-year terms. Members and their immediate families may not serve on any postsecondary education governing board and may not be employed by any postsecondary education institution, either directly or by contract. The commission meets at least six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Colleen Adam, Hastings.....	District 5 .....	Jan. 1, 2022
Gwenn Aspen, Omaha.....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2022

John Bernthal, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Deborah Frison, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Ron Hunter, Hay Springs.....	District 6 .....	Jan. 1, 2022
Mary Lauritzen, West Point.....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Dwayne Probyn, Papillion .....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Joyce Simmons, Valentine.....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018
W. Scott Wilson, Papillion.....	District 4 .....	Jan. 1, 2020
Carol Zink, Lincoln .....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Vacant .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 1, 2020

Nebraska Power Review Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Lower Level, P.O. Box 94713, Lincoln, NE 68509-4713, phone (402) 471-2301, email address — tim.texel@nebraska.gov, website — www.powerreview.nebraska.gov

**Executive Director:** Tim Texel

**Statutory Reference:** 70-1003

The Power Review Board regulates Nebraska’s electrical utility industry. The 1963 Legislature created the board, and since then regulatory duties have been added to its original mission. The board:

- approves creation of, and amendments to, retail and wholesale service areas, which designate the territory that electric utilities are authorized and obligated to serve
- authorizes construction or acquisition of generation facilities and certain transmission lines, settles disputes between suppliers over area and customers to be served and, in certain limited cases, disagreements between customers and utilities
- authorizes microwave facility construction
- approves creation of public power districts and subsequent changes to each district’s charter

The board consists of five members appointed by the governor to four-year terms, subject to legislative approval. The board must include an engineer, a lawyer, an accountant and two members of the public. A member cannot have been an elected state official or a director, officer or employee of any electric utility within the past four years. No more than three members may belong to the governor’s political party, and no member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

The board meets monthly. Members are paid \$60 a day when engaged in board business, except the member representing the board on the Southwest Power Pool’s Regional State Committee, who receives \$250 per day when engaged in board business. All members are reimbursed for actual expenses.

The board employs an executive director, a business manager and a paralegal. The board also retains the services of a consultant who is an engineer and represents the board on the Southwest Power Pool’s Cost Allocation Working Group. The board may hire other experts and consultants necessary to carry out its duties.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Dennis Grennan, Columbus (I) <sup>15</sup> .....	Engineer.....	Jan. 1, 2018

<sup>15</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat, R=Republican, I=Independent.

Chuck Haase, Grand Island (D) .....	Layperson .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Stephen Lichter, Waterloo (R) .....	Layperson .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Rick Morehouse, Scottsbluff (R) .....	Accountant .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Frank Reid, Omaha (R) .....	Attorney .....	Jan. 1, 2019

## Public Service Commission

**Office Address:** 300 The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3101, toll-free phone (800) 526-0017, fax (402) 471-0254, email address — jeff.pursley@nebraska.gov, website — [www.psc.nebraska.gov](http://www.psc.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Jeffrey L. Pursley

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 20

**Salary for Public Service Commissioners:** \$75,000

**Publications:** Motor carrier rate tariffs, annual report on telecommunications

The constitutional powers and duties of the Public Service Commission include regulatory authority over certain aspects of the following industries: grain warehouses and grain dealers; manufacturers and sellers of manufactured homes, modular homes and recreational vehicles; motor transportation carriers of household goods and passengers; natural gas utilities; private water companies; railroads; electric transmission lines and telecommunications carriers. The commission is composed of its transportation, communications, grain warehouse and dealers, housing and recreational vehicles, natural gas, and Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety departments.

The natural gas department regulates:

- natural gas utilities, not including natural gas utilities owned or operated by a city or metropolitan utilities district, pursuant to the 2003 State Natural Gas Regulation Act (statutory reference: 66-1801 *et seq.*). The commission's oversight includes: regulating rates charged for delivery of natural gas to customers, regulating quality of natural gas service and addressing customer complaints against natural gas utilities. The commission interacts with the public advocate, an attorney charged with representing the interests of residential and small business natural gas customers. Costs of the program are paid by the regulated utilities and passed on to customers in the form of a surcharge on natural gas bills.

- natural gas pipeline extensions in the areas surrounding Omaha, where a metropolitan utilities district and another natural gas utility both serve. The commission resolves disputes regarding new construction of natural gas mains to serve customers in that area.

- the Major Oil Pipeline Siting Program carries out the Commission's responsibilities established by the 2011 Major Oil Pipeline Siting Act (statutory reference: 57-1401 *et seq.*), namely to ensure the welfare of Nebraskans, including protection of property rights, aesthetic values and economic interests; to consider the lawful protection of Nebraska's natural resources in determining the location of routes of major oil pipelines within the state; to ensure that a major oil pipeline is not constructed in Nebraska without receiving the Commission's approval under section 57-1408; to ensure that the location of routes for major oil pipelines is in compliance with Nebraska law; and to ensure that a coordinated and efficient method for the authorization of such construction is provided.

The transportation department regulates:

- railroads (safety laws, track and motive power and equipment inspection, and the compiling and filing of reports required by law)
- household goods and passenger carriers (rates, service, territory, safety and insurance)
- transportation network companies

The communications department regulates:

- telephone companies (basic local service rates and access charges; boundary limitations; entry into the Nebraska telecommunications market; subscriber complaints against telephone companies; service quality; licensing of long distance companies, including resellers; licensing of automatic dialing-announcing devices; and auditing of local exchange telephone companies)

- the VoIP/Wireless/ISP Registry
- the Nebraska Relay Service, a communication system for the speech and hearing impaired. The Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee (statutory reference: 86-1307) consists of seven members appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to advise on issues related to the hearing impaired community.

- high voltage electrical transmission lines (limited to safe installation, operation and maintenance of electrical transmission lines outside incorporated cities and villages)

- private water companies

The grain warehouse department regulates:

- grain storage and grain sales (grain warehouses and dealers, and grain probes and moisture meter testing). Grain examinations are done annually on grain warehouses and grain dealers. Yearly inspections also are performed on all commercial grain moisture meters.

The housing and recreational vehicle department regulates:

- construction of manufactured (mobile) homes, modular housing units and recreational vehicles through plan review, factory production line inspection, dealer lot inspection and consumer complaint investigation.

The Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department is responsible for:

- ensuring all Nebraskans have access to telecommunications services at affordable prices through the Nebraska Universal Service Fund. The commission accomplishes this through the administration of four programs. The high-cost program keeps local rates affordable in all areas of the state by subsidizing the costs of telephone services in high cost areas. The Nebraska Telephone Assistance Program (NTAP) provides additional assistance to qualifying low-income Nebraskans to obtain and keep telephone service. The Rural Telehealth Program supports the provision of telecommunications services to a statewide telehealth network. The Broadband Pilot Program supports the provision of broadband telecommunications infrastructure in unserved and underserved areas of the state. These programs are administered with the assistance of an advisory board. The Universal Service Advisory Board (statutory reference: 86-1408) consists of nine members appointed by the Public Service Commission.

- regulating wireless enhanced 911 service, which allows 911 call centers to identify

and locate emergency calls originating from wireless phones. Funds may be distributed to 911 call centers throughout Nebraska and to wireless carriers for equipment and network upgrades necessary to process wireless calls. Funding for the program is generated by a 45-cent monthly surcharge assessed on each subscriber with a billing address in Nebraska. An 11-member advisory board assists the commission with administration of the program.

The commission's early predecessor was the Railway Commission, established in 1885, which consisted of the attorney general, secretary of state and auditor of public accounts, each of which appointed a secretary. The commissioners supervised railroad operations in the state, including examination of railroad documents, and could issue subpoenas and administer oaths.

The commission lasted two years until the 1887 Legislature created a board of transportation with the attorney general, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer, commissioner of public lands and buildings and three appointed secretaries as its members. This board investigated common carriers and looked into their business management and held hearings on carrier issues. Lawmakers expanded the board's functions in 1891 by placing the licensing and regulation of public warehouses under its jurisdiction. In 1892, the board began classifying and fixing minimum freight rates charged by Nebraska railroads. The board was given jurisdiction over telephone, telegraph and express companies in 1897.

A 1901 Supreme Court ruling found the law creating the Board of Transportation unconstitutional. From 1901 to 1906, the Legislature regulated railroads. In 1906, voters ratified a constitutional amendment that created an elective railway commission of three members serving six-year terms. A Supreme Court ruling the following year held that the amendment was legal.

In January 1964, the commission increased its membership to five, and the state was divided into five districts, with each electing one commissioner for a six-year term. A 1972 general election vote changed the name of the agency to the Public Service Commission in December of that year.

In 2015, after the conclusion of a federal stimulus funding grant that supported broadband planning and mapping projects from 2010 through 2014, the commission decided to continue its mapping efforts via a redesigned broadband map (<http://broadbandmap.nebraska.gov>). Users have the ability to look up provider and speed information for their address and can explore the variety of ways that broadband has been deployed in Nebraska. Information about Nebraska Universal Service Fund broadband projects also is available on the site.

The commission continues to participate in a broadband planning group that initially was supported through the same federal stimulus grant. This group, composed of individuals representing the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, the University of Nebraska and the PSC, works to promote broadband adoption and utilization throughout Nebraska.

Commissioner	Represents	Term Expires
Rod Johnson, Sutton .....	District 4.....	January 2023
Frank E. Landis, Lincoln .....	District 1.....	January 2019

Crystal Rhoades, Omaha.....	District 2.....	January 2021
Mary Ridder, Callaway.....	District 5.....	January 2023
Tim Schram, Gretna.....	District 3.....	January 2019

*Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board*

**Contact Person:** Jamie Reyes, Legal Counsel, Public Service Commission, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3101, email address — jamie.reyes@nebraska.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 86-461

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board was created in 2001 to advise the Public Service Commission on the implementation, development, administration, coordination, evaluation and maintenance of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Nine of the board’s 11 members are appointed by the governor to represent county and municipal officials, county sheriffs, 911 dispatchers, the wireless telecommunications industry and the local telecommunications service industry. A public service commissioner and the director of the Department of Administrative Services or their designees serve as ex officio members.

During the board’s inaugural year, three members were appointed for one-year terms, two members were appointed for two-year terms and three members were appointed for three-year terms. Each succeeding board member will be appointed for three-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Isaac “Ike” Brown, McCook.....	City Official.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Brenda L. Carlisle, La Vista.....	County Official.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Julie Righter Dove, Lincoln.....	Municipal.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Jennifer Hansen, Omaha.....	911 Dispatch.....	Dec. 31, 2018
John Korkie, Winterset, Iowa.....	Local Exchange.....	Dec. 31, 2018
Neil Miller, Kearney.....	County Sheriff.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Pete Peterson, Ogallala.....	County Employee.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Tom Shoemaker, Cambridge.....	Wireless Telecommunications.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Randall Warner, Aurora.....	At Large.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Ed Toner, Lincoln.....	Chief Information Officer.....	Nonexpiring
Gerald Vap, McCook.....	Public Service Commissioner.....	Nonexpiring

*Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee*

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**Statutory Reference:** 86-314

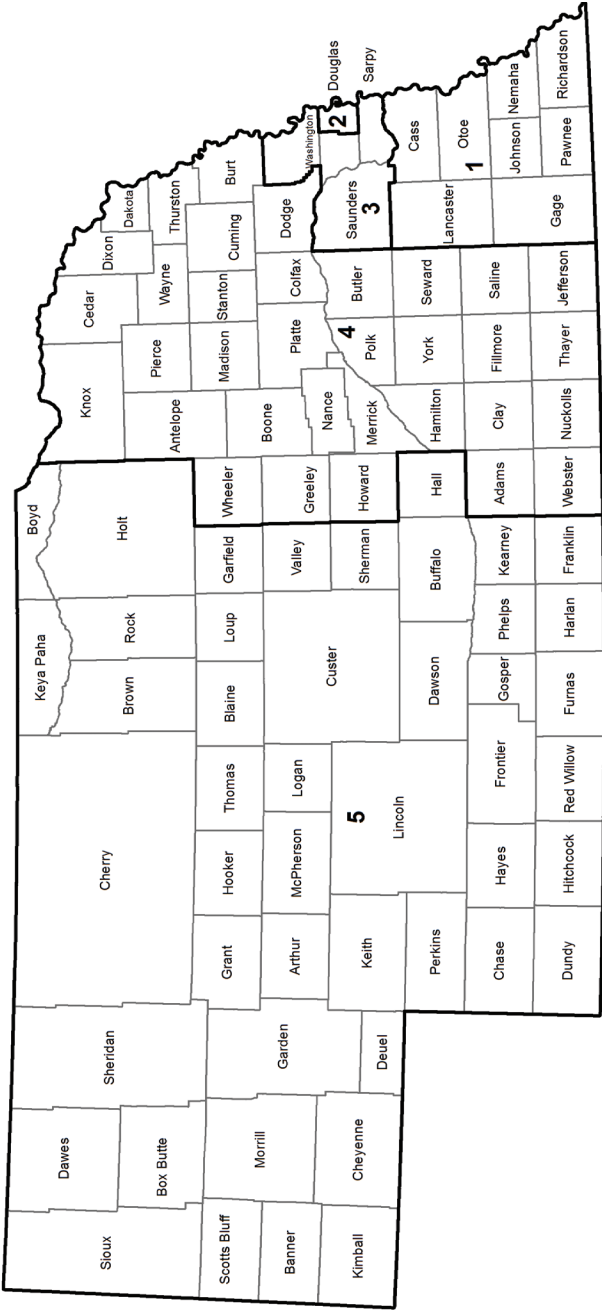
The 2002 Legislature created a special committee to carry out the Telecommunications Relay System Act. The act requires Nebraska to have a statewide telecommunications relay system and a statewide voucher program to provide specialized telecommunications equipment for deaf, hard-of-hearing and speech-impaired residents. The system allows them to communicate with those who use conventional telephone systems.

Members of the Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee are appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The committee consists

of seven members: one who is deaf; one member who is deaf or hard-of-hearing; one member who is speech impaired; one member who represents the telephone industry; one member who represents the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and one member who represents the public.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Robert Feit, Lincoln.....	Hard of Hearing.....	March 11, 2019
Kim Remington, Lincoln.....	Telephone Industry.....	March 8, 2018
Tami Richardson-Nelson, Omaha.....	Deaf.....	March 14, 2017
Tim Schram, Gretna.....	Public Service Commission.....	March 6, 2018
Albert Sparks, Lincoln.....	Public.....	March 14, 2017
Norman Weverka, Brainard.....	NCDHH Representative.....	Sept. 11, 2019
Vacant.....	Speech-Impaired.....	Jan. 31, 2011

Nebraska Public Service Commission Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB700 in the 2011 legislative session.



## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2017

### FRANK E. LANDIS

### DISTRICT 1

**Office Address:** 3400 Calvert St., Lincoln, NE 68508, email address — [frank.landis@nebraska.gov](mailto:frank.landis@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 1988; re-elected 1994, 2000, 2006 and 2012 (chairperson, 1991-94, 2000-01, 2009 and 2014-15; vice chairperson, 1998-99 and 2007-08)

**Biography:** Born Nov. 19, 1942, in Grand Island. Graduate of Lincoln Southeast High School; University of Nebraska (B.A.) 1968, (J.D.) 1971. Married Polly Ann O'Neal, Nov. 21, 1975. Military service: Colonel (Ret.) 155th Air Refueling Wing Nebraska Air National Guard, former Chief of Staff. Attorney; vice president, Four Stars Inc. **Member:** National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), Committee on Gas; Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); board of directors, Frontier State Bank; Nebraska National Guard Officers Association; First Plymouth Congregational Church; American Legion Post 3; Forty and Eight. **Former member:** Lancaster County Heart Association; Institutional Review Board, MDS Pharma Services; NARUC, Committee on Transportation (chair); Highway Rail Crossing Safety Task Force; Interagency Transportation Efficiency Task Force; Governor's Communications Bridge Task Force; Nebraska Railway Council, appointed 1992, reappointed 1996, 2000, 2004 and 2008. Republican.



### CRYSTAL RHOADES

### DISTRICT 2

**Home Address:** 4565 Shirley St., Omaha, NE 68106, email address — [crystal.rhoades@nebraska.gov](mailto:crystal.rhoades@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 2014

**Biography:** Born March 17. Graduate of Omaha Central High School; University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.A. and M.S.). Juvenile detention reform coordinator. Former community outreach coordinator and assistant executive director at the Neighborhood Center. **Member:** Committee on Telecommunications, Rail Safety and Transportation Network Companies, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); North American Numbering Council (NANC), Federal Communications Commission; South Omaha Neighborhood Alliance. **Former member:** board of governors, Metropolitan Community College, 2006-14. **Honors and awards:** Ten Outstanding Young Omahans; John F. Kennedy Award, Nebraska Democratic Party; League of Women Voters Making Democracy Work Award. Democrat.

## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2017 (Cont'd.)



### TIM SCHRAM

### DISTRICT 3

**Home Address:** 15151 S 234th St., Gretna, NE 68028, email address — [tim.schram@nebraska.gov](mailto:tim.schram@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 2006; re-elected 2012 (chairperson, 2011)

**Biography:** Born Oct. 20, 1961. Graduate of Ashland-Greenwood High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Agricultural Economics, 1986. **Member:** Committee on Telecommunications, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); advisory council, Telecommunications Relay System (TRS); Interstate TRS Fund Advisory Council; Gretna Optimists; volunteer, Sarpy County Fair and Rodeo; Benefit Auctions for the Heart Association; Cancer Fund; Diabetes Association; Ducks Unlimited; Pheasants Forever; St. Patrick's Catholic Church. **Former member:** Nebraska Beginning Young Farmer Board, appointed by Gov. Mike Johanns; Sarpy County Board of Commissioners, 12 years, elected in 1994, re-elected in 1998 and 2002; Nebraska Road

Classifications and Standards Board, appointed by Gov. Mike Johanns and reappointed by Gov. Dave Heineman; Sarpy County Planning Commission, six years; Sarpy County Extension Board, three years; Alegent Midlands Hospital Advisory Board, three years; University of Nebraska President's Advisory Council; Nebraska Public Roads Classifications and Standards Board. Republican.

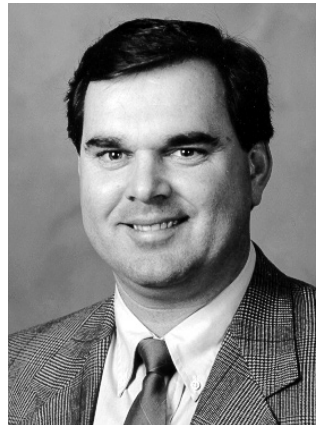
### ROD JOHNSON

### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 210 West Ridge, P.O. Box 727, Sutton, NE 68979, email — [rod.johnson@nebraska.gov](mailto:rod.johnson@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 1992; re-elected 1998, 2004, 2010 and 2016 (chairperson, 1996, 2006-07, 2012)

**Biography:** Born Aug. 18, 1957, in Hastings. Graduate of Harvard High School; Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.S. in history and political science). Married Lisa Leininger, June 1, 1984; two children: Alexa and Kyle. Partner, Johnson Farms. Former: state senator, Nebraska Legislature, District 34 (1983-92); legislative aide, 1981-82. **Member:** Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC). **Former member:** Committee on Water and Committee on Telecommunications, NARUC; chairman, Nebraska Legislature Natural Resources Committee (1991-92); Council of State Governments Toll Fellowship program, 1986; Nebraska delegate to Multi-State Legislators Agricultural Crisis Meeting, Washington, D.C. **Honors and awards:** named Soil and Water Conservation Steward by Nebraska Natural Resources Commission; named Amicus Studentium by Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Nebraska. Republican.



## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2017 (Cont'd.)

### MARY RIDDER

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 79225 Rye Valley Road, Callaway, NE 68825, email address — [mary.ridder@nebraska.gov](mailto:mary.ridder@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 2016

**Biography:** Born Mary Guynan, March 7, 1957, in Schuyler. Graduate of Schuyler Central High School, 1975; Creighton University (B.A. in English, education certificate), 1979. Married John Ridder, Dec. 18, 1982; six children: Joe, Dan, Erin, Liz, Ellen and Tricia. Purebred cattle rancher; writer. Former communications director; magazine editor; freelance writer; news reporter.

**Member:** Pastoral Council, St. Boniface Catholic Church (vice president); St. Boniface Religious Education (instructor, director of religious education). **Former member:** Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission (consumer representative), 2001-02; Custer County Development Revolving Loan Board, 2003-04; Agriculture Advisory Committee for Rep. Tom Osborne, 2005; Callaway School Board (vice president, secretary, treasurer), 2007-14; Grand Island Diocesan Religious Education Board, 1991-93; American Cancer Society Cattle Baron's Ball (publicity chairman, media), 1991-92; 1996; Council of Catholic Women, St. Boniface Catholic Church (president); Callaway Kite Flight (event co-chairman, grant writer, publicity), 1998-2010; Callaway Community Foundation (chairman), 1999-2007; Grand Island Diocesan Long Range Strategic Planning, 2007-08. **Honors and awards:** 2004 Citizenship Award, Center for Rural Affairs. Republican.



## Nebraska Railway Commissioners and Public Service Commissioners, 1907-2017\*

H. J. Winnett (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1907-1913	Harold A. Palmer (R).....	1949-1954 <sup>17</sup>
Robert Cowell (R) .....	1907 <sup>2</sup>	Joseph J. Brown (R) .....	1952-1971 <sup>18</sup>
Henry T. Clarke Jr. (R).....	1907-1917 <sup>3</sup>	Paul Pettygrove (R) .....	1955-1957 <sup>19</sup>
J. A. Williams (R) .....	1907-1909	Wayne R. Swanson (R) .....	1957-1967 <sup>20</sup>
W. H. Cowgill (D).....	1909-1910 <sup>4</sup>	Frederick N. Peterson (R) .....	1965-1970 <sup>21</sup>
W. J. Furse (D).....	1910-1911 <sup>5</sup>	John W. Swanson (R) .....	1965-1975
T. L. Hall (R) .....	1911-1921 <sup>6</sup>	Robert T. Marland (D).....	1967-1969 <sup>22</sup>
H. G. Taylor (R).....	1913-1927 <sup>7</sup>		1971-1977
Victor E. Wilson (D) .....	1917-1919 <sup>8</sup>	James F. Munnely (D).....	1967-1997
Thorne A. Brown (R) .....	1919-1926 <sup>9</sup>	Eric C. Rasmussen (R).....	1969-1993
H. L. Cook (R).....	1921-1923 <sup>10</sup>	L. E. Adams (R).....	1970-1971 <sup>23</sup>
C. A. Randall (R) .....	1923-1935	Duane D. Gay (R) .....	1971-1995
John H. Miller (R) .....	1926-1933 <sup>11</sup>	Jack Romans (R).....	1975-1982 <sup>24</sup>
John E. Curtiss (R).....	1927-1930 <sup>12</sup>	Harold D. Simpson Sr. (R) .....	1977-1989
Hugh Drake (R).....	1930-1937 <sup>13</sup>	Robert Brayton (R).....	1982-1987 <sup>25</sup>
Floyd L. Bollen (D).....	1933-1939	Daniel G. Urwiller (R) .....	1987-2001 <sup>26</sup>
Will M. Maupin (D) .....	1935-1941	Frank E. Landis Jr. (R) .....	1989-
F. A. Good (D) .....	1937-1943	Rod Johnson (R).....	1993-
Duane T. Swanson (R).....	1939-1948 <sup>14</sup>	Lowell C. Johnson (R) .....	1995-2007
Richard H. Larson (R) .....	1941-1947	Anne Boyle (D).....	1997-2015
	1949-1967	Gerald L. Vap (R).....	2001 <sup>27</sup> -2017
John Knickrehm (R) .....	1943-1949	Tim Schram (R) .....	2007-
Walter F. Roberts (R) .....	1947-1952 <sup>15</sup>	Crystal Rhoades (D) .....	2015-
Einar Viren (R).....	1948 <sup>16</sup>	Mary Ridder (R).....	2017-

\* Name changed from Railway Commission to Public Service Commission by 1972 constitutional amendment.

<sup>1</sup> Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat

<sup>2</sup> Resigned April 4, 1907.

<sup>3</sup> Appointed April 4, 1907, to fill vacancy. Elected 1907 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1910.

<sup>4</sup> Died Oct. 6, 1910.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed Nov. 7, 1910, to fill vacancy. Served until Dec. 1, 1911.

<sup>6</sup> Elected 1911 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1914.

<sup>7</sup> Resigned July 1, 1927.

<sup>8</sup> Resigned Sept. 30, 1919.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Oct. 1, 1919, to fill vacancy. Elected 1920. Resigned Sept. 15, 1926.

<sup>10</sup> Elected 1920 to fill remainder of term.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed Nov. 8, 1926, when he was commissioner-elect, to fill vacancy.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed July 1, 1927, to fill vacancy. Elected 1928 to finish term. Resigned Sept. 1, 1930.

<sup>13</sup> Appointed Sept. 1, 1930, to fill vacancy. Elected 1930.

<sup>14</sup> Resigned Feb. 1, 1948.

<sup>15</sup> Resigned April 1, 1952.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed Feb. 1, 1948. Resigned November 1948.

<sup>17</sup> Elected 1948 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1950. Died Dec. 5, 1954.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed April 3, 1952, to fill vacancy. Elected 1952; re-elected 1958 and 1964.

<sup>19</sup> Appointed Jan. 4, 1955, to fill vacancy.

<sup>20</sup> Resigned January 1967 to take over duties of state treasurer.

<sup>21</sup> Died April 18, 1970.

<sup>22</sup> Appointed Feb. 13, 1967, to fill vacancy. Elected 1971.

<sup>23</sup> Appointed May 15, 1970, to fill vacancy.

<sup>24</sup> Died Feb. 4, 1982.

<sup>25</sup> Appointed April 23, 1982, to fill vacancy.

<sup>26</sup> Resigned May 1, 2001

<sup>27</sup> Appointed Aug. 7, 2001, to fill vacancy. Elected 2004.

## State Racing Commission

**Office Address:** 5903 Walker Ave., Lincoln, NE 68507, phone (402) 471-4155, website — [www.nebraskaracingcommission.com](http://www.nebraskaracingcommission.com)

**Executive Secretary:** Tom Sage

**Statutory Reference:** 2-1201

In 1935, a bill was passed to promote Nebraska's horse breeding industry. The State Racing Commission created by this law prescribes and enforces horse racing rules and regulations.

The 2010 Legislature increased the commission's membership to five members, appointed by the governor to four-year terms, one from each of the state's congressional districts and two at large members. Only three members may belong to the same political party and no more than two members may reside in the same congressional district or in any one county. Members are bonded under the blanket surety bond required by Section 11-201 of Nebraska law.

The commission meets approximately 10 times per year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Helen Abbott-Feller, Wisner (R) <sup>16</sup>	District 1	March 30, 2019
Janell L. Beveridge, Paxton (R)	District 3	March 30, 2019
Kristopher Covi, Omaha (R)	At Large	March 31, 2017
Jeffrey P. Galyen, Norfolk (D)	At Large	March 31, 2018
Dennis P. Lee, Omaha (I)	District 2	March 30, 2018

## Real Property Appraiser Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, First Floor, P.O. Box 94963, Lincoln, NE 68509-4963, phone (402) 471-9015, fax (402) 471-9017, email address — [tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov](mailto:tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov), website — [www.appraiser.ne.gov](http://www.appraiser.ne.gov)

**Director:** Tyler N. Kohtz

**Statutory Reference:** 76-2222

**Publications:** Real Property Appraiser Act, Appraisal Management Company Registration Act, NAC Title 297 Rules and Regulations, NAC Title 298 Rules and Regulations and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice

The Nebraska Real Property Board was established as the Real Estate Appraiser Board on Jan. 1, 1991, after enactment of Title XI of the federal Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. Following passage of LB778, the name was changed to the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Board on July 14, 2006. The board administers and enforces the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Act and the Nebraska Appraisal Management Company Registration Act.

The board's primary functions are to issue and renew appraiser credentials, develop and implement standards for appraiser credentialing and register and renew registration for appraisal management companies.

The board also approves appraiser qualifying courses and continuing education

<sup>16</sup>Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; I=Independent.

activities, investigates and adjudicates grievances, develops rules and disseminates relevant information to the general public, stakeholders, credentialed appraisers and appraisal management companies.

Through these processes, the board ensures that Nebraskans are protected and served and that the appraisal business community is highly qualified through education, experience and examination.

The board’s five members are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. No member may serve consecutive terms. The governor selects one certified real property appraiser from each congressional district. Two members, one representative of financial institutions and one licensed real estate broker or salesperson, are selected at large. Members are paid \$100 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
David Bloxham, Nebraska City .....	Financial Institutions, At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Sandra J. Gutwein, Scottsbluff.....	Appraiser, District 3.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Ben Hynek, Lincoln.....	Appraiser, District 1.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Christopher Langemeier, Schuyler .....	Real Estate Broker, At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Marc Woodle, Omaha.....	Appraiser, District 2.....	Jan. 1, 2017

State Real Estate Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94667, Lincoln, NE 68509-4667, phone (402) 471-2004, email address — realestate.commission@nebraska.gov, website — www.nrec.ne.gov

**Director:** Greg Lemon

**Statutory Reference:** 81-885.07

The 1973 Legislature passed the Real Estate License Act, which provided for the State Real Estate Commission. The commission licenses real estate brokers and salespersons through written examinations, investigates complaints and applicants for licenses and examines real estate broker trust accounts. Under the act, as amended in 1978, the commission approves real estate courses offered by proprietary real estate schools and approves instructors and monitors schools offering approved real estate courses.

Real estate licensees have had to meet continuing education requirements since 1986 and, by law, are required to complete 18 hours of approved classes every two years before their licenses can be renewed. Inactive licensees may waive the requirement until they activate their licenses. The commission approves instructors, providers and the subject matter of these classes.

The commission consists of seven members, six of whom are appointed by the governor to six-year terms. The secretary of state is the commission chairperson. Four members must be broker licensees with at least five years of broker or associate broker experience. Three of the broker members are appointed from Nebraska’s congressional districts as constituted on Jan. 1, 2006 and one broker member is appointed at large. The two other members are appointed at large. One is a representative of the public, and the other is a licensed salesperson with at least three years of experience in the real estate business. Members are reimbursed for traveling expenses, and the appointed members

are paid \$100 a day while attending monthly commission meetings. The commission employs a director and other staff.

<b>Members</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Andy Alloway, Omaha.....	Broker, At Large .....	Aug. 28, 2019
Sharon "Sheri" K. Bourne, North Platte .....	Broker, District 3 .....	Aug. 28, 2022
Ann Dover, Norfolk.....	Salesperson, At Large .....	Aug. 28, 2020
Herb Freeman, Omaha .....	Broker, District 2 .....	Aug. 28, 2018
Drew Stange, Lincoln.....	Broker, District 1 .....	Aug. 28, 2017
Jim R. Titus, Lincoln.....	Public, At Large.....	Aug. 28, 2021
John Gale, Lincoln (Chairperson) .....	Secretary of State.....	Nonexpiring

## Public Employees Retirement Board

**Office Address:** 1526 K St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 94816, Lincoln, NE 68509-4816, phone (402) 471-2053, fax (402) 471-9493, website — [npers.ne.gov](http://npers.ne.gov)

**Director:** Phyllis G. Chambers

**Statutory Reference:** 84-1501

The Public Employees Retirement Board (PERB) was created in 1971 to administer Nebraska retirement plans for school employees, state employees, judges and the State Patrol. The board assumed administration of the retirement system for Nebraska county employees in 1973.

The board has eight voting members appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, to five-year terms. The State Investment Officer serves as a non-voting, ex officio member. Members must be Nebraska residents. Members include six active or retired participants of board-administered retirement systems, and two public representatives who are not state employees or employees of its subdivisions. The board meets monthly. Members receive a \$50 per diem and are reimbursed for actual expenses.

The board hires a director to distribute expenses among the retirement systems it administers. Expenses must be provided from investment income earned by various retirement funds, unless other fund sources to pay expenses are specified by law.

The state auditor audits state retirement systems each year and makes an annual report to the Legislature. The board also annually reports on the actuarial condition of state retirement systems to the Legislature.

Since 1973, all actuarial reports, actuarial assumption statements and methods, and actuarial valuations and experience investigations required for any retirement system that covers employees in any political subdivision at least partly supported by Nebraska tax dollars must be prepared and signed by an actuary certified by the board.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kelli Ackerman, Holdrege .....	Participant, School .....	Jan. 1, 2020
Denis Blank, Lincoln .....	Participant, State .....	Jan. 1, 2020
J. Russell Derr, Omaha .....	Participant, Judges.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Ronald Ecklund, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Janis Elliott, Bellevue.....	Participant, School .....	Jan. 1, 2019
Pamela Lancaster, Grand Island .....	Participant, County .....	Jan. 1, 2021
Dennis Leonard, Grand Island .....	Participant, Patrol .....	Jan. 1, 2020
Elaine Stuhr, Bradshaw .....	Public Member .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Michael Walden-Newman, Lincoln .....	Ex Officio.....	Nonexpiring



*State Plan*

The State Employees Retirement plan began on Jan. 1, 1964, and has a defined contribution option and a cash balance option. Employees contribute 4.8 percent of their annual salary by payroll deduction. The state contributes 156 percent of employees' contributions.

Participants employed after Jan. 1, 2003, and employees who have elected to join, participate in the cash balance option. Cash balance provides a hypothetical account which is credited with daily interest credit and also has the possibility of additional dividends when investment performance allows. The interest credit rate is equal to the federal mid-term rate plus 1.5 percent, but not less than 5 percent. Cash balance contributions are held in a comingled fund and investment of the fund is directed by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants who began employment before 2003 and who wished to remain in the defined contribution option have 13 investment funds from which to choose. Defined contribution participants individually select their investments and receive the gains and losses of their selections.

A state employee may retire upon reaching age 55. Several payment options are available, including annuities, rollovers and lump sum distributions. The agency administers the plan and record keeping is done by a third party contractor. Plan expenses are deducted from plan earnings.

*County Plan*

The 1973 Legislature brought the Retirement System for Nebraska Counties under the board's administration. The 1965 County Employees Retirement Act covered county employees not already covered by retirement plans. By 1987, all counties, except for Douglas and Lancaster, were required to belong to the County Retirement System. It has a defined contribution option and a cash balance option as in the State Plan. Members, whether participating in the defined contribution option or in the cash balance option, contribute 4.5 percent of their gross earnings with the employer contributing 150 percent of the employee amount. In the defined contribution option, the employee and employer contributions are invested in 13 different funds as the member may direct.

Participants employed after Jan. 1, 2003, and employees who have elected to join, participate in the cash balance option. Cash balance provides a hypothetical account which is credited with daily interest credit and also has the possibility of additional dividends when investment performance allows. The interest credit rate is equal to the federal mid-term rate plus 1.5 percent, but not less than 5 percent. Cash balance contributions are held in a comingled fund and investment of the fund is directed by the Nebraska Investment Council.

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isters the plan and record keeping is done by a third party contractor. Plan expenses are deducted from plan earnings.

### *School Plan*

The 1945 Legislature established the School Retirement System for Nebraska school employees. All regular public school employees, except those in Class V school districts, are members of the system. Benefits are based on service, the highest three years' average salary and age at retirement. For members initially joining the plan on or after July 1, 2013, benefits are calculated using the highest five years of salary. A school employee may retire as early as age 60 with five years of service and receive a reduced benefit. The normal retirement age for unreduced benefits is 65. In 1998, legislation for a "Rule of 85" benefit was passed. This legislation allows a member who is at least 55 to retire with unreduced benefits when the member's age and years of service equal 85.

### *State Patrol Plan*

The 1947 Legislature created the State Patrol Retirement System. State Patrol employees can retire at age 55 with at least 10 years of service or, on a reduced basis, at age 50 with at least 10 years of service. The normal retirement age is 55. Members who joined the plan prior to July 1, 2016, contribute 16 percent of compensation. Members who joined the plan on or after July 1, 2016, contribute 17 percent of compensation. The employer matches all contributions at 100 percent. Benefits are based on years of service as a percentage with a maximum of 75 percent of final average salary. Besides normal benefits, the law provides for disability and survivor benefits. Members are not covered by Social Security. Beginning Sept. 1, 2008, a deferred retirement option plan was adopted for members who have reached normal retirement age.

### *Judges Plan*

The 1955 Legislature created a Judges Retirement System. Membership for district and Supreme Court judges became effective Jan. 3, 1957. Workers' Compensation Court judges were added Sept. 20, 1957, county judges and separate juvenile judges on Jan. 5, 1961, municipal judges on Oct. 23, 1967, and Court of Appeals judges were added in September 1991. In 1985, the Legislature combined the municipal and county court systems.

A per case fee is collected from district and county courts to help finance the Judges plan, as well as a percentage charge on certain county court fees. Members who joined the plan on or after July 1, 2004, or members who elected to participate in the enhanced spousal provisions, contribute 9 percent of compensation the first 20 years and 5 percent thereafter. Members who joined the plan prior to July 1, 2004, and elected not to participate in the enhanced spousal provisions contribute 7 percent of compensation the first 20 years and 1 percent thereafter. Members who joined the plan on or after July 1, 2015, contribute 10 percent of compensation.

### *Deferred Compensation Plan*

In 1976, the board implemented the State of Nebraska Deferred Compensation

Plan. This plan is an optional supplemental retirement plan. It allows eligible employees to defer a portion of their salaries to a later date. Taxes due on the accounts and earnings are deferred until the date of disbursement. Qualifying events for disbursement are death, disability or termination of employment. Provisions in the plan document allow emergency withdrawals for unforeseen financial hardships with board approval. The investment options the member may select are the same as the ones in the defined contribution option of the State Plan and the County Plan.

Retirement System Statistics — June 30, 2015

	State	County	School	Patrol	Judges
Active Members .....	15,866	7,698	40,994	413	147
Inactive Members.....	7,684	3,132	21,013	25	6
Retirees Receiving Benefits.....	1,329	472	21,667	466	178
Plan Assets .....	\$1,921,390,137	578,068,679	9,685,816,053	363,922,631	160,800,009

Tax Equalization and Review Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 95108, Lincoln, NE 68509-5108, phone (402) 471-2842, fax (402) 471-7720, website — [www.terc.ne.gov](http://www.terc.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 28; and 77-5003

The Tax Equalization and Review Commission was created on Jan. 1, 1996. The commission has two primary duties. First, the commission serves as an intermediate appellate tribunal, conducting de novo hearings and issuing written decisions to resolve appeals – primarily determinations made by the 93 county boards of equalization. Second, the commission acts as an adjudicative body regarding the equalization of real property assessments within each county before May 15 of each year, commonly known as statewide equalization. The average number of valuation appeals filed with the commission has increased from approximately 500 per year to over 2,200 per year.

The commission hears and decides appeals at single commissioner hearings or panel hearings throughout the year. In all hearings, the taxpayer may present testimony and documentary evidence with or without an attorney. The county assessor or other legal representative of the county may present evidence to defend the county board of equalization’s determination of value and may be represented by the county attorney.

During informal single commissioner hearings, the rules of evidence do not apply and the hearings are not recorded. During panel hearings, limited rules of evidence apply — as required by statute — and the hearings are digitally recorded. Formal hearings are held only upon request of a party and by order of the commission.

Decisions from single commissioner hearings are final unless a rehearing before a panel of the commission is requested. Decisions from panel hearings may be appealed to the Nebraska Court of Appeals. Statewide equalization is conducted each year, primarily in April and May.

The commission has three commissioners, one from each of the congressional districts. The governor appoints the commissioners to six-year terms, and the Legislature confirms the appointments. The governor may remove commissioners from office for cause.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Robert W. Hotz, Lincoln.....	District 1.....	Jan. 1, 2022
Steven A. Keetle, Omaha.....	District 2.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Nancy J. Salmon, Aurora.....	District 3.....	Jan. 1, 2020

## Nebraska Tourism Commission

**Contact Person:** John Ricks, Director, Nebraska Tourism Commission, 301 Centennial Mall South, First Floor, P.O. Box 98907, Lincoln, NE 68509-8907, phone (402) 471-3796, fax (402) 471-3026, website — [www.visitnebraska.com](http://www.visitnebraska.com)

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3702

The Nebraska Tourism Commission was created in 2012 by the passage of LB1053. The commission administers the Nebraska Visitors Development Act and is charged with developing a statewide strategic plan to cultivate and promote tourism in Nebraska. The commission also administers the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund.

The nine commission members are appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature. Members serve four-year terms.

Member	Term Expires
Lisa Burke, North Platte.....	July 1, 2018
John Chapo, Lincoln.....	July 1, 2018
Roger Dixon, Omaha.....	June 30, 2020
Mitch Glidden, Mullen.....	June 30, 2020
Roger Jasnoch, Kearney.....	July 1, 2018
Roger Kuhn, Lincoln.....	June 30, 2020
Deb Loseke, Columbus.....	July 1, 2018
Tony Moody, La Vista.....	June 30, 2020
Carol E. Schlegel, Culbertson.....	June 30, 2020

## University of Nebraska Board of Regents

**Office Address:** 3835 Holdrege St., Lincoln, NE 68583, phone (402) 472-3906, website — [www.nebraska.edu](http://www.nebraska.edu)

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 10; and 85-103

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents has been the university's governing body since the university was established in 1869.<sup>17</sup> The original board had 12 members, including the governor, the state superintendent of public instruction and the university chancellor as ex officio members. The governor appointed the original regents. Succeeding regents were elected by the Legislature until 1875, when the new state constitution reduced the number of regents to six and provided for their election by the voters in odd-numbered years. An amendment adopted in 1912 changed their election to even-numbered years. Regents were elected on partisan ballots until 1917, when the Legislature provided for nonpartisan regent elections starting in 1918. From 1921 to Jan. 7, 1971, one regent was elected from each of the state's six Supreme Court districts for a six-year term.

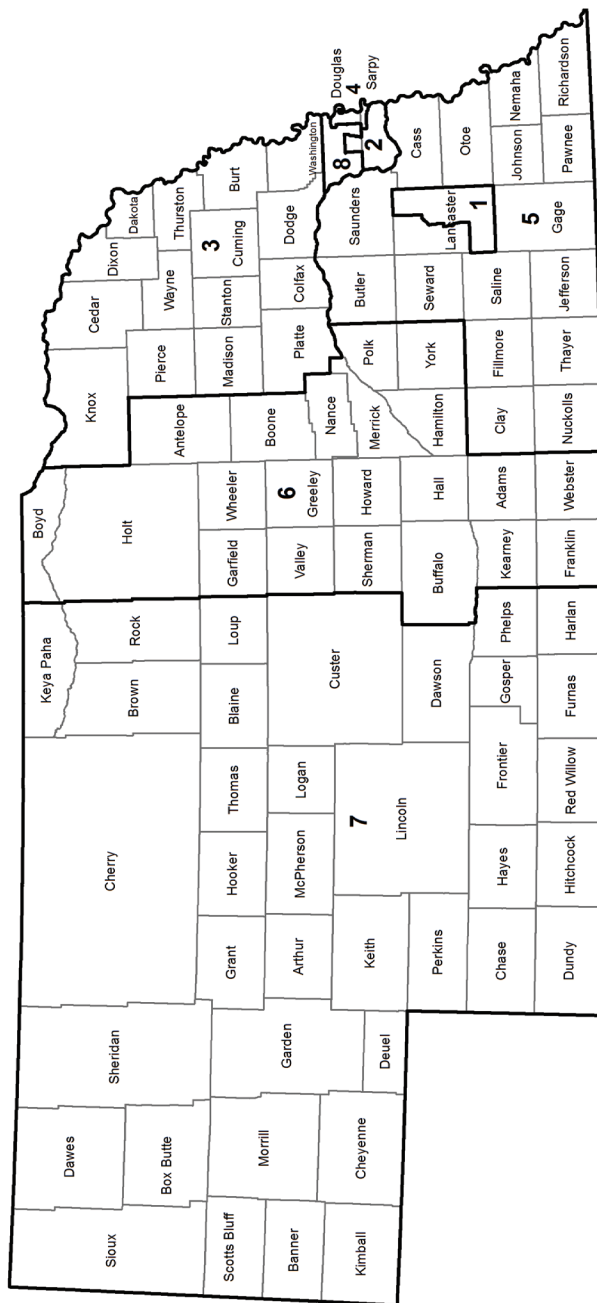
<sup>17</sup> For more information about the University of Nebraska and its four campuses, see Pages 886-894.

The 1969 Legislature increased the number of regents from six to eight and divided the state into eight districts each represented by a regent. At the 1972 general election, two regents were elected, one each from District 1 and District 2, to six-year terms. Two regents were elected to six-year terms at the 1974 general election from District 6 and District 7, and from districts 4, 5, 6 and 8 in the 1976 general election. All elections since have been for six-year terms. Regents are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

A constitutional amendment was approved at the 1974 general election to let the three University of Nebraska campus student body presidents sit as nonvoting members on the Board of Regents for one-year terms. The members are the president of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, president of the University of Nebraska at Omaha Student Senate and president of the University of Nebraska Medical Center Student Senate. The student body president of Kearney State College was added as a nonvoting member after the college became the University of Nebraska at Kearney on July 1, 1991.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Tim Clare, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	January 2021
Hal Daub, Omaha.....	District 8 .....	January 2019
Howard L. Hawks, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	January 2021
Paul R. Kenney, Kearney.....	District 6 .....	January 2023
Bob Phares, North Platte.....	District 7 .....	January 2023
Jim Pillen, Columbus.....	District 3 .....	January 2019
Robert M. Schafer, Beatrice.....	District 5 .....	January 2021
Bob Whitehouse, Papillion.....	District 4 .....	January 2019

## University of Nebraska Board of Regents Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB701 in the 2011 legislative session.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2017

### TIM CLARE

### DISTRICT 1

**Home Address:** 6712 Hickory Crest Circle, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 421-2030, email address — [tclare@nebraska.edu](mailto:tclare@nebraska.edu)

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2008; re-elected 2014

**Biography:** Born May 8, 1963, in Omaha. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1985; Creighton University (M.B.A., J.D.), 1992. Married Amy Clare, March 2, 2002; five children: Matthew Clare, Ingrid Holmquist, Colin Clare, Nels Holmquist and Danny Clare. Attorney, Rembolt Ludtke LLP. Former: banker, First National Bank of Omaha.

**Member:** board president, Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters; board member, Lincoln Children's Museum; president, Lincoln Estate Planning Council; fellow, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel; Cedars Home for Children (board member). Republican.



### HOWARD L. HAWKS

### DISTRICT 2

**Office Address:** 14302 FNB Parkway, Omaha, NE 68154-5212, phone (402) 691-9500, email address — [hhawks@nebraska.edu](mailto:hhawks@nebraska.edu)

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2002; re-elected 2008, 2014 (vice chairman, 2004 and 2013; chairman, 2005 and 2014)

**Biography:** Born June 2, 1935, in Carleton. Graduate of Bruning High School, 1953; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1957; University of Nebraska at Omaha (M.B.A.), 1971. Married Myrna (deceased); three children. Remarried Rhonda; two children. Military service: U.S. Army Reserve. Founder and chairman, Tenaska, 1987; founder and chairman, The Hawks Foundation, 1993. Former: InterNorth/Enron Corp., 1966-86; General Motors, 1957-66. **Member:** co-founder, Lasting Hope Recovery Center; board of directors, Heritage Services; board of governors, Joslyn Art Museum Foundation; Margaret H. Durham Center for Western Studies Advisory Committee; Joslyn Art Museum Bodmer Society; board of

directors, Ak-Sar-Ben Future Trust; board of directors, McCarthy Group LLC; board of directors and executive committee, Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo Foundation; chairman of the board, University/Community Facility Development Corporation. **Former member:** board of directors, University of Nebraska Foundation; board of governors, Joslyn Art Museum; board of directors, Omaha Zoological Society; board of trustees and chairman, Citizen of the Year Event, Mid-America Council Boy Scouts of America, 2003; strategic planning committee, Lutheran Church of the Master; board of governors, Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben; advisory board, Assistance League of Omaha; board of governors, Boys and Girls Club of Omaha; board of governors, president, Boys Clubs of Omaha; board of directors and Presidents Club, Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; chairman, strategic planning committee, Martin Luther Homes; advisory board of trustees committee, Methodist Hospital; Nebraska Business Higher Education Forum; vice chairman, stakeholder committee, North American Electric Reliability Council; board of directors, Omaha Symphony Association; board of directors, Omaha Opera Guild; board of directors, Ironwood Golf and Country Club. **Honors and awards:** honorary chair, Boys and Girls Club Gala, 2016; The Omaha Symphony Dick and Mary Holland Leadership Award, 2015;

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### HOWARD L. HAWKS

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services People's Award, Nebraska Behavioral Health Conference, 2014; At Ease USA Founder's Award, 2014; honorary chairman, VNA Art and Soup, 2014; honorary chairman, Fontenelle Forest, Feather Our Nest, 2013; Jesuit Partnership Council of Omaha Ignation Spirit Award, 2012; honorary chairman, TeamMates Mentoring Program "Tailgate" Gala, 2011; Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska Douglas E. Parrot Faith in Action Award, 2010; honorary chairman, UNMC Eppley Cancer Center Ambassador of Hope Gala, 2010; American Red Cross Spirit of Philanthropy Award, 2009; chairman, Project Harmony "Speaking of Children," 2009; honorary chairman, Omaha Habitat for Humanity Women's Build, 2008; honorary chairman, Madonna School 2008 Capital Campaign; Beta Gamma Sigma Medallion of Entrepreneurship, 2007; United Way of the Midlands Citizen of the Year Award, 2007; The Salvation Army "Others" Award, 2007; Heartland Family Service Leadership Family Award, 2006; National Conference for Community Justice Humanitarian Award, 2006; Methodist Hospital Foundation's "Spirit of Philanthropy" Award, 2005; Volunteer of the Year Award, Thayer County Hospital, 2005; honorary chairman, Omaha Community Playhouse Gala, 2005; honorary chairman, Community Alliance's "Breaking the Silence" event, 2005-2006; honorary chairman, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Gala, 2005; UNL College of Business Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004; finalist for CEO of the Year in the Energy Industry by *Platts Power Magazine*, 2003 and 2004; 2003 honorary chairman, 2002 honorary vice chairman, Salvation Army Tree of Lights Campaign and Kettle Klub; Downtown Omaha Rotary Club Free Enterprise Award, 2003; Omaha Business Hall of Fame, 2002; capital fund drive chairman, Dana College Legacy Campaign, 2000-01; chairman, Midland Lutheran College Vision 2000 Capital Campaign, 1997-2000; Methodist Hospital Honorary Member of the Board of Directors, 2001; Clarence Swanson Memorial Award for Outstanding Dedication to the University and to Nebraska Football, 2000; UNO College of Business Administration Distinguished Alumni Award, 1999. Republican.

### DISTRICT 2 (CONT'D.)



### JIM PILLEN

### DISTRICT 3

**Office Address:** 3214 25th St., Columbus, NE 68601, phone (402) 564-0407, email address — jimdp@pillenfamilysfarms.com

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2012

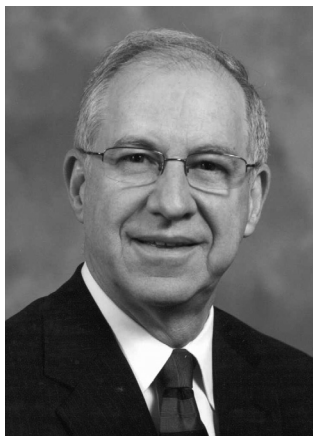
**Biography:** Born Dec. 31, 1955, in Columbus. Graduate of Lakeview High School, 1974; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in animal science), 1979; Kansas State University (D.V.M.), 1983. Married Suzanne Shreve; four children. Founder and owner, Pillen Family Farms, Inc.; managing partner, DNA Genetics. **Member:** chair, endowment board, Scotus Central Catholic High School; board member, TeamMates Mentoring Program and State Foundation; member and lecturer, St. Isidore Catholic Church; Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association; American Association of Swine Practitioners; National Pork Producers Council; Christians Encounter Christ.

**Former member:** board of directors, Columbus Community Hospital (chair); board of directors, St. Augustine Mission

(director); Columbus Community Hospital Foundation (chair); advisory board, University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Business Administration; Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce (president); Columbus Family YMCA (president; fundraising chair); Platte County American Heart Association Heart Walk (chair). **Honors and awards:** 2016 inductee, Mortar Board National Senior Honor Society — Black Masque Chapter; 2013 Agribusiness Pioneer award, Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce; 2009 Columbus Days King Ferdinand; 2008 Distinguished Entrepreneur, UNL College of Business Administration, Nebraska Center for Entrepreneurship; 2008 Archway Award, Columbus Chamber of Commerce; 2007 Hall of Fame Award, Voluntary Pork Checkoff; Academic All American; 2004 UNL Football Hall of Fame inductee; 2003 Business Excellence Achievement Award, UNL College of Business Administration; First Team All Big 8 (twice). Republican.



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### BOB WHITEHOUSE

### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 1103 Mackensy Dr., Papillion, NE 68046, email address — bwhitehouse@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2006; re-elected 2012

**Biography:** Born Aug. 17, 1944, in Omaha. Graduate of Bellevue High School, 1962; Kearney State College (B.S.) 1967; University of Nebraska-Omaha (Secondary School Administration Master's) 1971, (Specialist in Education) 1976. Married Kim M. Whitehouse, June 23, 1984; three children: Stacey, Todd and Taylor. Retired co-coordinator, Middle School Learning Center Initiative. Former: principal, Bryan Senior High School, Omaha; Coordinator of Nebraska Educational Leadership Institute, UNL-Gallup Sponsored, 2004-2006; educational consultant, Omaha Public Schools, 2000-2005; adjunct professor, EDAD Department, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2001-2003; principal, Bryan Senior High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1987-2000; principal, Bryan Junior High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1983-1987; assistant

principal, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1973-1983; administrative assistant, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1972-1973; administrative intern, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1971-1972; teacher and coach, Central High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1967-1971. **Member:** University of Nebraska President's Advisory Council, 2001-2005; University of Nebraska at Kearney Alumni Association Board, 2003-2006; South Omaha Optimist Club (past president), 1983-present; chairman, Trinity United Methodist Church Administrative Board, 1982-present; president, board of directors, Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame, 1995-present. **Former member:** Phi Delta Kappa, 1990-2006; National Association of Secondary School Principals, 1982-2000; committee charter member, National Urban Schools, 1988; legislative chair, 1991, Nebraska Council School Administrators, 1983-2006; past president, Omaha School Administrators, 1971-2005; past president, Region II Administrators Association, 1975-2006; Metropolitan Community College Foundation Board, 2000-2004; board of directors, Wells Fargo Bank of Nebraska, 1991-2004; Sarpy County SAFE POLICY Executive Board, 1992-2000; past president, board of directors, Youth Emergency Services, 1976-1987; National Association Secondary School Principals Conferences, 1985-2000; Multicultural Non-Sexist Human Relations Course, 1997; Professional Organizational Enhancement Trainer, 1996-2003; teamed with Omaha Job Clearinghouse and National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE), 1992-1998; District Internet Training for Administrators, 1996-1998. **Honors and awards:** inductee, Bellevue East High School Athletic Hall of Fame, 2016; inductee, National High School Athletic Directors Hall of Fame, 2015; inductee, Omaha Public Schools Athletic Hall of Fame/Special Contributor, 2012; Alumni Achievement Award, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2007; Bryan High School Coaches Association Award for Excellence and Dedication to Student Athletes, 2005; South Omaha Optimist Sam Greenberg Award, 2001; Nebraska Council of School Administrators Distinguished Service Award, 2000; UNO Distinguished Alumni Award, 1999; National Milken Family Foundation Award, 1997; Nebraska Association of Secondary School Principals Distinguished Service Award, 1997; American G.I. Forum Veterans Family Organization Excellence in Education Award, 1997; Mayor of Omaha's Key to the City (Education Award), 1997; Omaha Public Schools Outstanding Principal of the Year, 1997; Omaha World Herald Award for WorkKeys and Omaha 2000, 1994. Republican.



## University of Nebraska Regents, 2017 (Cont'd.)

### ROBERT M. SCHAFER

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 2008 Elk St., Beatrice, NE 68310

**Appointed to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** March 20, 2013, to finish the unexpired term of Lavon L. Heidemann, who resigned; elected 2014

**Biography:** Born Jan. 27, 1968, in Pawnee City. Graduate of Pawnee City Public High School, 1986; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1991; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1996. Married Andrea R. Darling, June 19, 2004; two children: Brooklyn and Addison. Military service: staff judge advocate, Nebraska Air National Guard (2005-present), lieutenant colonel; Nebraska Army National Guard (staff judge advocate, 2004-05; infantry, 1985-97); Kansas Army National Guard (staff judge advocate, 1997-2004). Attorney, farmer and military member. Former city attorney, Beatrice. **Member:** Air Force Association; American Legion Post 39; Beatrice Chamber of Commerce; Nebraska Cattlemen Association; board of directors, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation; president, Tri County Bar Association; University of Nebraska Alumni Association; St. John Church; United Service Organization. Republican.



### PAUL R. KENNEY

### DISTRICT 6

**Home Address:** 10950 Elm Road, Kearney NE 68845, email address — pkenney@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2016

**Biography:** Born Oct. 29, 1959. Graduate of Amherst Public Schools High School, 1978; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1982. Married Angie Sue Beihl, Aug. 8, 1981; four children: Tyler, Jared, Ethan and Gavin. Farmer and rancher. **Member:** chairman, KAAPA Ethanol; chairman, Nebraska Ethanol Board; volunteer firefighter, Amherst District. **Former member:** board, Amherst Public Schools; council, Prince of Peace Catholic Church and St. John's Catholic Church; board, Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce; chairman, Gateway Farm Expo. **Honors and awards:** Kearney Kiwanis Farmer of the Year. Republican.

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### BOB PHARES

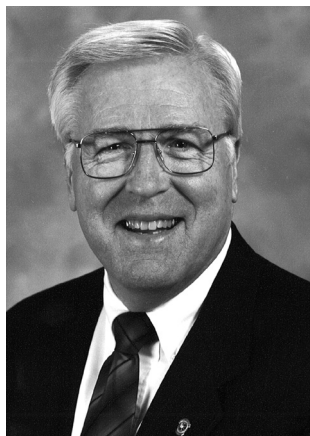
**Home Address:** 608 Sequoia Ct. North Platte, Ne 69101, phone (308) 532 3290

**Office Address:** 320 McNeel Lane, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-3180, email — bphares@nebraska.edu

**Appointed to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** Aug. 5, 2006; elected 2006; re-elected 2010 and 2016 (chairman, 2010 and 2015; vice chairman, 2009 and 2014)

**Biography:** Born August 4, 1940 in Atlantic, Iowa. Graduate of North Platte High School, 1958; University of Nebraska at Kearney, with honors, 1962 (BA in Business Administration); graduate of American College, Bryn Mawr, Pa., with a Chartered Life Underwriter designation in 1968 and a Chartered Financial Consultant degree in 1989. President of Phares Financial Services. **Member:** board of deacons, First Baptist Church, (past church president); past president, past district governor, North Platte Rotary Club; past board chairman, North Platte Chamber of Commerce.

**Former member:** founding director, Great Plains Regional Medical Center Board (served 25 years, eight as board chair); Mid Plains Community College Foundation board; Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation Board; North Platte Development Corp board; United Way board; past state president, NAIFA; Mayor of North Platte, 1968-1976; past president, Nebraska League of Municipalities; past president, American Baptist Churches of Nebraska. **Honors and awards:** UNK Distinguished Service Award and Outstanding Alumni Award, 1984; honored by Million Dollar Round Table for 35 years of continuous membership and nine Court of the Table and two Top of the Table qualifications; North Platte Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame; North Platte High School Distinguished Alumni Award. Republican.



### DISTRICT 7

### HAL DAUB

**Home Address:** 314 N. 97th Ct., Omaha, NE 68114, email — hdaub@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2012

**Biography:** Born April 23, 1941, in Fayetteville, N.C. Graduate of Benson High School, 1959; Washington University (B.S. in business administration), 1963; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1966. Married Mary Alice Mernin, Nov. 16, 1996; three children: Natalie Wilhelm, John Daub and Tammy Daub. Military service: captain, platoon leader, company commander, U.S. Army Infantry, Second Infantry Division, 1966-68. Practicing attorney and partner, Husch Blackwell LLP, 2001-present. Former: vice president and general counsel, Standard Chemical Manufacturing Co., 1971-80; partner, Touche Ross and Deloitte, 1988-91; representative, U.S. Congress, 1981-89; Omaha mayor, 1994-2001; president and CEO, American Healthcare Association, 2004-06. **Member:** Alumni President's Council, Alpha Kappa



### DISTRICT 8

Psi Professional Business Fraternity; Downtown Omaha Rotary International; American Judicature Society; Nebraska State Bar Association; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation; Omaha Bar Association; 33rd Degree Mason, Scottish Rite, Shrine, York Rite Mason, 1995; 40 & 8 Voiture 206; American

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### HAL DAUB

### DISTRICT 8 (CONT'D.)

Heart Association; American Legion Post 112; board member, Autism Action Partnership; vice chair, executive committee, trustee, Boy Scouts, Mid-America Council; Durham Western Heritage Museum; Eagles Aerie 154; board member, Fatherhood Family Initiative; Fontenelle Forrest Association; board of directors, Freedoms Foundation; Friend of the Scottish Rite, 2012; Henry Doorly Zoo; Humane Society and Friends Forever; Joslyn Castle; Kappa Sigma, Delta Theta Phi and Alpha Kappa Psi Alumni Associations; Madonna School for Exceptional Children; Multiple Sclerosis Society; Nebraska Lodge 1, York and Scottish Rite Masonic Orders; alumni associations, Nebraska University and Washington University; Optimist International; Performing Arts Society; elder, Presbyterian Church; gallon club, Red Cross; chair, Salvation Army Tree of Lights Campaign; Sister Cities Association; development committee, University of Nebraska at Omaha; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2503. **Former member:** American Health Care Association (president and chief executive, 2004-05); Association of Government Accountants; principal, Council on Excellence in Government; presidential appointee, National Advisory Commission on Public Service; Republican Mayors and Local Officials of the United States (president, 1995-2000); Air Force Association; national board chair, Community Health Charities of America; Friendship Force; board, Great Plains Black Museum; Nebraska Diplomats; national committee, Nebraska Republican Party; Reserve Officers Association; board, St. Peter Claver Cristo Rey High School; chair, United Way/CHAD Division. **Honors and awards:** Super Lawyer, 2015 and 2016; Who's Who in America, 1981-present; Who's Who in American Politics, 1981-present; 2012 Distinguished Alumni Award, Washington University; 2012 and 2003 Citizen of the Year, Mid-America Boy Scout Council; 2011 Father of the Year, American Diabetes Association; 2005 Distinguished Nebraskan Award, Nebraska Society; 2005 Communication and Leadership Award, Toastmasters International; 2004 Humanitarian Award, Grand Masonic Lodges of Nebraska; 2004 Business Hall of Fame, Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Omaha Benson High School Hall of Fame; 2004 Silver Beaver Award; 2000 Distinguished Eagle Scout Award; Watchdog of the Treasury Award, National Associated Businessmen, 1981-89; Guardian of Small Business Award, National Federation of Independent Business, 1981-89; Peace Through Strength Award, U.S. Congress, 1981-89; 1985 Minuteman of the Year, Nebraska Reserve Officers; 1975 Outstanding Young Omahan, Jaycees; 1964 Outstanding Young Nebraskan. Republican.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 1869-2017

Samuel D. Beals <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871	John L. Teeters .....	1900-1906
David Butler <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871	Elisha C. Calkins.....	1902-1908
Champion S. Chase.....	1869-1875	Carl J. Ernst.....	1902-1908
William B. Dale.....	1869-1871	Charles S. Allen.....	1904-1917
David R. Dungan.....	1869-1875	William G. Whitmore.....	1904-1917
John C. Elliott.....	1869-1871	Frederick H. Abbott.....	1906-1909
Abel B. Fuller.....	1869-1873	Victor G. Lyford.....	1906-1919
Robert W. Furnas.....	1869-1873	Charles B. Anderson.....	1908-1915
.....	1873-1875 <sup>1</sup>	George Coupland.....	1908-1915
Fyfield H. Longley.....	1869-1875	Harvey E. Newbranch.....	1909
John B. Maxfield.....	1869-1875	Frank L. Haller.....	1910-1919
William G. Olinger.....	1869-1873	Edward P. Brown.....	1915-1921
Allen R. Benton <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1876	John E. Miller.....	1915-1921
Uriah Bruner.....	1871-1876	Philip L. Hall.....	1917-1923
William H. James <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1873	Harry D. Landis.....	1917-1929
Dwight McCann.....	1871-1873	Frank W. Judson.....	1919-1925
John M. McKenzie <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1876	John R. Webster.....	1919-1931
William Adair.....	1873-1882	William L. Bates.....	1921-1927
James W. Savage.....	1873-1875	George N. Seymour.....	1921-1927
William D. Scott.....	1873-1875	William P. Warner.....	1923-1929
Benjamin Barrows.....	1875-1876	Earl Cline.....	1925-1937
Alexander Bear.....	1875-1876	Stanley D. Long.....	1927-1951
Silas Garber <sup>1</sup> .....	1875-1876	Frank J. Taylor.....	1927-1939
Charles A. Holmes.....	1875-1884	Fred A. Marsh.....	1929-1935
Edgar W. Hungerford.....	1875-1876	Marion A. Shaw.....	1929-1947
Samuel J. Tuttle.....	1875-1879	Arthur C. Stokes.....	1931-1940 <sup>2</sup>
Lebbius Fifield.....	1876-1884	Charles Y. Thompson.....	1935-1959
Joseph W. Gannett.....	1876-1884	R. W. Devoe.....	1937-1955
Seth P. Mobley.....	1876-1878	Frank M. Johnson.....	1939-1951
Newton R. Persinger.....	1878-1884	.....	1955-1957 <sup>4</sup>
John L. Carson.....	1880-1881	Fred Thomas.....	1940 <sup>5</sup>
Isaac Powers.....	1882	William E. Reed.....	1940 <sup>6</sup> -1944 <sup>2</sup>
Charles H. Gere.....	1882-1892	Vincent C. Hascall.....	1944 <sup>7</sup> -1947 <sup>2</sup>
H. C. Meritt.....	1883	George Liggett.....	1947-1953
Jesse M. Hiatt.....	1883-1888	James LeRoy Welsh.....	1947 <sup>8</sup> -1967
Edward P. Holmes.....	1884-1888	Dwight P. Griswold.....	1951-1952 <sup>3</sup>
Milton J. Hull.....	1884-1890	Earle G. Johnson.....	1951-1957
Leavitt Burnham.....	1884-1892	J. G. Elliott.....	1952-1954 <sup>9</sup>
John T. Mallalieu.....	1884-1890	.....	1957-1974 <sup>2</sup>
Byron B. Davis.....	1888-1894	B. N. Greenberg.....	1953-1971
George Roberts.....	1888-1894	Clarence E. Swanson.....	1955-1967
J. L. Knight.....	1890-1896	Frank O. Foote.....	1957-1963
Charles H. Morrill.....	1890-1902	Richard E. Adkins.....	1959-1971
Edwin A. Hadley.....	1892-1898	Val Peterson.....	1963-1966 <sup>3</sup>
Charles L. Marple.....	1892-1894	Robert Raun.....	1966-1981 <sup>10</sup>
Henry Estabrook.....	1894-1896	Edward Schwartzkopf.....	1967-1985
Charles W. Kaley.....	1894-1898	Richard L. Herman.....	1967-1970 <sup>3</sup>
Charles Weston.....	1894-1900	Kermit R. Hansen.....	1970-1991 <sup>11</sup>
H. L. Good.....	1896-1902	Robert Prokop.....	1971-1983
Victor Rosewater.....	1896-1897	Kermit Wagner.....	1971-1983
Thomas Rawlins.....	1897-1900	Robert Koefoot.....	1971-1989
George F. Kenower.....	1898-1904	James H. Moylan.....	1971-1989
E. Von Forell.....	1898-1904	Camille Elliott.....	1974-1975 <sup>12</sup>
Edson P. Rich.....	1900-1906	Robert G. Simmons Jr.....	1975-1987

## University of Nebraska Regents, 1896-2017 (Cont'd.)

John W. Payne .....	1881-1999	Randolph M. Ferlic .....	2001-2013
Margaret Robinson .....	1983-1995	James E. McClurg .....	2002 <sup>14</sup> -2013
Nancy DeLong Hoch .....	1983-1995	Howard L. Hawks .....	2003-
Donald C. Fricke .....	1985-1991	Dave Hergert .....	2005-2006 <sup>15</sup>
Robert M. Allen .....	1989-2001	Bob Phares .....	2006 <sup>16</sup> -
Rosemary M. Skrupa .....	1989-2001	Bob Whitehouse .....	2007-
Nancy L. O'Brien .....	1991-2003	Tim Clare .....	2009-
Gerald E. "Jay" Matzke Jr. ....	2001-2002 <sup>13</sup>	Hal Daub .....	2013-
Don S. Blank .....	1987-2005	Lavon L. Heidemann .....	2013 <sup>17</sup>
Charles S. Wilson .....	1991-2008	Jim Pillen .....	2013-
Chuck Hassebrook .....	1995-2013	Robert M. Schafer .....	2013 <sup>18</sup> -
Drew Miller .....	1995-2007	Paul Kenney .....	2017-
Kent A. Schroeder .....	1999-2017		

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<sup>1</sup> Ex officio.

<sup>2</sup> Died while in office.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned.

<sup>4</sup> Elected to finish the term of Dwight Griswold, who resigned.

<sup>5</sup> Served from death of Dr. Arthur C. Stokes until the general election of November 1940, when William E. Reed was elected to finish the term. Reed was elected to a full term in November 1942.

<sup>6</sup> Elected to finish term of Arthur C. Stokes, who died. Elected to full term in November 1942. Died in 1944.

<sup>7</sup> Appointed in 1944 to finish the term of William E. Reed, who died. Hascall died in 1947.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed after Vincent C. Hascall died in 1947 to finish term. Elected to full term in November 1948.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed upon resignation of Dwight Griswold until the general election of November 1954, when Frank M. Johnson was elected to finish the term.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Jan. 11, 1966, to finish the unexpired term of Val Peterson, who resigned.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed Dec. 21, 1970, to finish the unexpired term of Richard L. Herman, who resigned; elected to the board in 1972.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed April 13, 1974, to finish the unexpired term of J.G. Elliott, who died.

<sup>13</sup> Resigned.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed April 3, 2002, to finish the unexpired term of Gerald E. Matzke Jr., who resigned. Elected to full term in November 2006.

<sup>15</sup> Removed from office July 7, 2006, after the Nebraska Supreme Court convicted him of two impeachable offenses relating to campaign finance violations.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed Aug. 5, 2006, to finish the unexpired term of Dave Hergert, who was removed from office. Elected to full term in November 2006.

<sup>17</sup> Resigned.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed March 20, 2013, to finish the unexpired term of Lavon L. Heidemann, who resigned. Elected to full term in November 2014.

## Nebraska Wheat Board

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**Executive Director:** Royce Schaneman

**Statutory Reference:** 2-2302

The Nebraska Wheat Board was created to protect and foster the economic health of the state's wheat producing areas and wheat economy stated as public policy under the Nebraska Wheat Resources Act. This public policy guides the wheat board in establishing its overall policy, annual marketing plan, goals, objectives and program priorities. The board also evaluates wheat market developments worldwide to meet these goals.

The board takes actions to strengthen the position of Nebraska wheat growers and the Nebraska wheat industry by working in research, international marketing, domestic marketing, education, promotion and federal policy.

Foreign wheat markets are developed and export sales promoted through U.S. Wheat Associates, a partnership of the board and 18 other state wheat commissions, which has 17 U.S. wheat promotion offices throughout the world, and through Plains Grains, Inc., an organization of hard red winter wheat growing plains states. The board works with organizations such as the Wheat Foods Council and the Grain Foods Foundation to educate consumers about the nutritional value of whole wheat to a healthy diet. The board also invests resources with the Wheat Quality Council and the Nebraska Wheat Growers Association to educate producers on high quality end-use varieties and production practices in order to increase profitability and sustainability. By cooperating with the National Association of Wheat Growers, the board is able to address various wheat quality and trade issues as well as the development of transgenic traits in wheat production, particularly as they relate to federal policy.

The board contracts with the University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources wheat breeding team for research on wheat variety improvement in both the hard red and hard white winter wheat varieties. Additional research to combat diseases that affect wheat crop yields and to examine the benefits of biotechnology also is funded. Improving the quality of Nebraska's wheat crop enhances the crop's appeal in foreign markets and increases export opportunities.

The board's programs are financed solely by the state's checkoff of 0.4 percent of the net value of the wheat, assessed on all wheat marketed in the state at the point of first sale.

The board consists of seven wheat growers, including one at-large member and representatives of Nebraska's six districts, who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Members must be Nebraska residents, be at least 21 years old, have been growing wheat in the state for at least five years and derive a substantial portion of their income from growing wheat.

The board's nonvoting members are the director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The board meets at least once every three months. Members are entitled to expenses while attending board meetings or while performing official responsibilities as determined by the board.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Robert Delsing, Hemingford .....	District 1 .....	June 30, 2019
Larry Flohr, Chappell .....	District 3 .....	June 30, 2017
Von Johnson, Cambridge.....	District 5 .....	June 30, 2020
Mark Knobel, Fairbury.....	District 6 .....	June 30, 2019
Rick Larson, Potter .....	District 2 .....	June 30, 2018
Kent Lorens, Stratton .....	District 4 .....	June 30, 2021
Brent Robertson, Elsie .....	At Large.....	June 30, 2020
Jeff Noel, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources .....	Nonvoting
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Nonvoting